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Ag't for Central and Western New York,

Apulia, N.Y., Oct 11th 1869.

Miss Cynthia Everett
Dear Sister

A note from New York informs me that you have been appointed as a Teacher to the Freedmen — Of this you may have been notified. — By correspondence with the Sec ~~of~~ or Rev G. D. Pike you can make all arrangements about the field &c I hope to hear from you when you have entered upon your work & ~~Ela~~ shall be glad to hear from you at any time. May the Lord bless you — Yours truly

C A Ruddock

P.S. Please remember me to your Father & Mother & the rest of the family.

C A R

Remsen Mar 16th

Miss Cynthia H. Everett

My Christian friend

I am very glad indeed that the book has proved a blessing to your soul. I know it was a precious blessing to me & I hoped it might be to you. In answer to your questions. I think - whereas by nature we are all alienated from God, & defiled by Sin, Yet, when we *turn*, & come with *true hearts*, & *by faith* in the perfect righteousness of Christ - the perfect & *allsufficient* *merit* of the *Atonement* & that *it* & *it alone* avails for us. we are *freely justified* in the sight of God and accounted *righteous* in Christ Jesus. We hold *nothing independant* of him, but as we abide in him by faith we are fully approved & may rejoice in his pardoning love. "There, is therefore now *no* condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit" — He is our Sanctification - because *in* him we may live wholly dedicated & consecrated to the blessed work of glorifying God "in our body & Spirit which are his" All of grace through faith in his blood. His infinite Merit covers all those defects which are the result of our infirm understanding, & we are accounted holy in his sight as faith lays hold upon him as our perfect Saviour. We are nothing but Christ is all. Although perhaps you may not understand everything at once *it is perfectly safe* to trust Christ. He has given a precious promise "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine" — With regard to your last question I can say for myself

& my brethren & sisters; that we shall *always* be *glad* to have you or any Christian friend tarry with us at *any* of our Social meeting

You need have no hesitancy in availing yourself *freely* of the classmeetings. We know they are a blessed means of grace & are always pleased to have brethren & sisters of other churches enjoy them with us. I shall preach tomorrow on the subject "Christ our All in Salvation" I may touch some points concerning which your present experience would lead you to be interested.

Indeed, I must confess that your questions suggested the subject.

Yours in Christ

Wm. H. Anable

P.S. My kindest Christian regards to your parents & sisters

dear friend it sems like a long time since I saw you
I am as well as I was when at the Doctors I do not gain
Evry as I can see some time I feel most discourreged but
I try to keep good courage I hear that Sarah and Mary has
gone home dose Mary have as mutch headache as she used
to My heart aches Most all the time how do you get along
do you go to School this fall I do not go to School for it makes
my heart Ache sow to read I must tell you some thing
about my Journy I left the Doctors a bout three weeks after
you left I went as far as Clarendon wee staid thair five
weeks and then started for waterville when wee left the
Cars to take the stage I found Mrs Cheny she had
ben to the Doctors and was Jest a going home she took
the stage with us and wee had a fine visit wee tooke the
Stage at five in the after none and it tok us till one in
the nite to get home I stood the Journy vary well
ex I dont think of eny thing more at present
excuse all Mistakes I would bee pleased to receive a
letor from you as soon as you get this direct yours
letors to Waterville Vt Lamoil County
Louisa O Brown to

Cynthy H Evect

I liked to forgot to tell you that I have ben quite sick
with the Disentary but I have got quite smart again
I should like to go back to the Doctrs again but I do not
expect to ever see my friends again in Saritogay
I should bee pleased to see you and your sisters
but I think it is a chance if I ever do unless
you come whare I am

to Cynthy Evett

Miſs Louisa O. Brown

New Hampton Jan. 15. 1859.

Dear Aunt Cynthia.. I go to School yet, and like it very much. Christmas. I got a bag with some nuts in it. and some figs. and dates. and a box that Lizzie made me. and a box from Miss Dudley. Last Monday it was very cold. the thermometer was 36 below zero. the Snow is about three feet deep. I have just been making Snow cave.

Grandma is over to uncle Butler's. Newyears Henry Sent me a letter with a harp worked on perforated paper. I hope you will write Soon. I send my love to you all.

John H. Butler.

Cynthia H. Everett.

New Hampton April 3. 1860.

Dear Aunt Cynthia;

I am glad that you wrote to me, when you wrote to Lizzie. You said in your letter that the ~~[illegible]~~ ground was white with snow. Here the snow is most off the ground, and we can go out and play ball upon the grass.

Oliver Fisk is about the same as he was when you were here. Daniel attends the Seminary, and so can not play with me very much. But he plays with me quite a lot out of school.

Mr Blake does not live next house to us, but he lives in the Eaton house, next to the store.

The children, (I suppose that by the children you mean

Jasper and Ardie) are well.

I dont think there is much prospect of an early Spring here, it is so cold now.

But I guess it is about time to close. So good-bye,

John H. Butler.

New Hampton, April, 3. 1860

Dear Aunt Cynthia I was glad to have your letter. I went to school Saturday all day. The teacher gave me a pretty little book. They all spoke pieces. Little Charley Robinson spoke,

I saw a little robin, his head kept bobbing
Up it goes, down it goes, bob, bob, bobbing.
I saw a pretty little maltee kitty,
there she goes, there she goes, kit, kit, kitty.

I spoke, "Mary had a little Lamb,"
Its fleece was white as snow;
I dust the chairs, and all round
the room every morning without
fussing. I went to meeting last
Sunday and to Sunday School
and. I wore my hat. I am
making a pillow case, and
I made a pie to day. Good by.
I wish you would
write to me sometime.
Hattie

NEW HAMPTON JAN. 15 1889.

DEAR CYNTHIA I HAVE BEEN WISHING YOU WOULD WRITE TO ME. HOW BE YOU GETTING ALONG. CHRISTMAS I GOT A SMOKED HERRING AND SOME DATES, A LITTLE HOUSE THAT JOHNNY MADE ME, SOME NUTS IN A LITTLE BAG, SOME CANDY AND SOME CRACKER, SOME EGGS AND A LITTLE BOX THAT MISS DUDLEY SENT ME. I HAVE BEEN AT THE HEAD TO THE CLASS FOR ABOUT A WEEK, I AM NOT GOING TO SCHOOL THIS FORENOON BECAUSE JOHNNY DOES NOT FEEL VERY WELL. IT IS VERY PLEASANT TODAY. WE HAD A HARD SNOWSTORM YESTERDAY. WRITE SOON. GIVE MY LOVE TO AUNT JENNY TELL HER I WILL WRITE TO HER SOON.

LIZZIE.

P. S. I HAVE RECIEVED A FEW DAYS AGO A PRETTY KITTY FROM HENRY WORKED ON PERFORATED PAPER. IT IS SO PRETTY I WISH YOU COULD SEE IT. IT IS TWENTYFOUR DEGREES BELOW ZERO. GIVE MY LOVE TO ROBBIE AND TO GRANDMA AND GRANDPA AND TO ALL OF YOU.

LIZZIE.

AUNT LYDIA.

1859

New Hampton Sep. 28. 1829.

Dear Cynthia

I thaught I would write to you as I miss you very much. Johnny rode over to uncle Battens last sunday with mr. porceasain. Evening as he thooght he woold like the ride mr. pores: ~~sd~~ good many stories and Johnny liked it very much. it is my Birthday today. next saturday ~~with~~ will be Johnnys Birthday and we sha have a party. we have a little kitty I think we shall name her whitty. ma has ~~[illegible]~~ jost boght a quart of damsons and a peck of aples. grandma has all the care of the cat and kittens she has made a nice bedroom out of the henhouse for her and has Hattys baby carriage for a ~~[illegible]~~ bed. grandma and all the rest of us send our love.

Livvie.

New Hampton [illegible]

Dear Aunt Cynthia,

I am [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that I am not going to write any more. I was very glad to receive your kind letter [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Robbie in your letter. We have [illegible] the rest of our little kitties but one and he is not quite as large as her mother yet. I have been reading the [illegible] books they are quite interisting. We went to school this winter and we [illegible] a pretty book. the school was closed but now it kept Mrs. Prescott taught. I have not been out to day and I believe I have not been out but twice since I took cold. We have formed a society that we call the New Hampton Childrens Beneblont Society. We all send our love.

[illegible]

New Hampton N. H. Apr. 3. 1860

Dear Aunt Cynthia,

I was very ~~to~~ glad to receive your letter, and ~~am~~ always glad to to receive them. Miss Smith teaches our class, and the Superintendent is Mr. Prescott. Has little Robbie got well yet, and how is his Mother, We have got a Post Office in the entry and we write letters and play that our dolls write them, and then send them to the others dolls, I think it is real nice. you know I told you about our Society I am Editress this month and I have ~~been~~ never been before. Tell Aunt Jennie I thank her for that paper. I think Johnnie will write to you, and I think he would be glad to. Our winter school has been out a good while, and since the winter school there has been a private school that lasted 6 weeks and at the last day [illegible] Every one in school spoke a peice. I have Enclosed a doll for you. Good bye.

Lizzie.

New Hampton N. H. 186. Apr. 6

Dear Cynthia

I hope ~~you~~ it wont be so long before you write as it is before I write this time. I am writing in the room where you and I used to sleep. Mrs. Peckham taught our class last Sunday, she is the wife of one of our students. You must excuse me if I do not write a long letter for they want me to go down stairs and besides I dont know much to say. it is real pleasant here but bad walking Goodby

Lizzie.

Dear Cynthia New Hampton 1861 April
please N.H. write

soon. I should realy be real
pleased if you would. but I
know that I havent wrote very
soon. Goodby. Lizzie wrote this
for me.
Hattie Butler.

Dear Cynthia

I wish

[illegible]

Dear Aunt Cynthia, [illegible]

I have had the scarlet fever and got all over it. Now a days we are making Christmas presents. While I was down to Biddeford I went into the salt water, but I did not like it at all. I have got so that I can eat a whole piece of pie now. Hattie Tucker is going to move away soon, and I shall miss her very much. To day I went down to stay at Mr. Durfee's with [illegible]. I have got a new head for my dolly. I should like to come out there and see you very much, and I want you to come and see me. [illegible] of the apples [illegible]. When I was down to Biddeford my Uncle William [illegible] got me a [illegible] went into the [illegible] twice I liked it very much and would have gone [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] if I could. While we were gone John went out fishing and caught some mackerel he caught the largest one there was caught and brought it home. I am reading the Bible through and have got to the first chapter of Jeremiah, as soon as I get through Pa is going to buy me a new Bible. The children here began to scrape lint for the soldiers and, I began too but have not been able to do much on account of being sick, I think some of the girls have done considerable though, they are going to send it in the box of the Ladies Sewing Sociaty. I should like to be at your school on the last day and see that moss house, if any pretty moss grew around here I would try to make one, I wish you could come here to see me after your school is done.

Give my love to all, and ~~please~~ write soon,

Lizzie

New [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible],

I [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] letter yesterday, and was very glad to get it. [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] he [illegible] [illegible] letter [illegible] and I am almost [illegible] now though [illegible] [illegible] not [illegible] yet. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] home with us from [illegible] and [illegible] with us last week [illegible] [illegible] Butler's two [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. She did not receive that letter you wrote, I am sorry that it was lost as it was so good. [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I think the same [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this summer [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I was very glad for she was a very good [illegible]. While we were going to [illegible]

book, and a parasol, and my father
bought me a breast pin, and my Aunt
[illegible] bought me a new dress
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] I have got on the dress
the first time [illegible]
yesterday we tried on the dresses that
[illegible] you sent us. We have a
lot of nice apples and I wish you
were here to help eat them.
I have a transparent slate that
[illegible]. Please to write
to me as soon as you can. I wish I
could see that [illegible] horse.
Good by dear Uncle John, please
[illegible] good by to the rest. and please
to kiss my little cousins for me.
[illegible]
P.S. [illegible]
[illegible]

New Hampton N. H. Feb. 2[illegible] 1862.

Dear Aunt Cynthia,

As our school is now done and I have nothing to do but play, I take the opportunity to write to you, it must also be my excuse for not writing sooner, though I hardly know whether it is my turn or not. But I suppose you will want to know about our Exhibition, ~~For~~ it was on the last day in the evening, Johny and Hattie and I did not go in the forenoon but they spent it fixing up the stage and curtains and other things I suppose, in the after-noon ~~we~~ Johny and I went, Hattie did not go, she went down to Hattie Rickers instead, we spent it in rehearsing, most of us did not go home to our suppers but had ~~a~~ it there, before we had appointed to go around and solicit refreshments of our parents, ~~and stayed there~~ after we got ~~through~~ though we washed the dishes in a wash-tub ~~which~~ one of us brought there to have in one of our dialogues, we got home about ten mineuts past eleven.

We have had a very good school Mr Lougee was our teacher. I forgot to say that Hattie had a piece to speak, and Johny had the valedictory.

Hattie is expecting Hattie Ricker this afternoon she likes to have her come very much.

Night before last the wind blew so hard it blew Mr. Stewarts and Mr. Fullontons ~~and~~ chimney ~~blew~~ off and one of them from the Chapel Hall.

Mother dosent pay me for washing dishes now but I am going to make some pillow-cases.

How do you like the Mara story, I like it very much, which of all of them do you like best, I like Mara a good deal best.

I came just as near having some skates and not have some this winter as could be, Johny. has got some and has learned to skate real well I think but he wants more skating, there is none now at all, the snow has covered the ice all up.

Ther are some other things about our school I ~~ought~~ want to tell you, we had papers ~~in~~ ~~on~~ and Johny edited it one week and I another we read them evry wednesday, we drew maps in school too, the teacher had some cards with the name of a state on each of them with some questions about it on it he would take them in his hand with the faces down and we would each draw one and he would give us some paper to draw it on; ~~we~~ he gave us a week to ~~too~~ find the answers to the questions and learn them and then we would recite, one ~~[illegible]~~ card had United stats on it and one North America on it too.

Hattie reads a good deal to Grandma now, she likes to read very much, she is in the second reader now.

But I must close as I have written a real long letter for me.

write soon.

Lizzie L. Butler.

New Hampton N. H. Feb. 26. 1880

Dear Aunt Cynthia

I have a new a pron with pockets in the

front. It is a very pleasant day but we have a great deal of snow The ladies in the Seminary are going to have a public meeting this evening and I expect to go. I feed the cat every day. I like to play with my dollies. Ma has knit me some new mittens out of white yarn.

Hattie E. Butler

[illegible] Hampton [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] all the time

[illegible]

[illegible] Father ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

He is a real happy little being, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. He says [illegible] [illegible] [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Bless [illegible] you,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Aunt [illegible]

I was much pleased to receive your letter. We are expecting [illegible] here next Thursday we shall be very glad to see them and hope that Grandpa and Grandma will come with them I should like to see them very much I wish that you could come too [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I suppose that [illegible] will tell you [illegible]

[illegible]

I suppose they have told you [illegible]

I am very glad that they are coming
home so soon and that they are not going
to wait until Saturday as I want to see
them very much.

It has been very cold for a few
days past. We have had to gather all
our apples to keep them from freezing.
Mrs. Robinson's (one of our neighbors) apples
were left out one night and in the morning
they were frozen hard. We have some very
nice apples but you and I want a lot of them.

I suppose if Lizzie did not go she would not be
able to come when they intended they would
send this letter. but I hope that they will
come Thursday. Hattie says in her letter that
she is sorry to come home. I should think that
she would want to come home after being
gone so long. but then it is just like
her to want to stay.

I think you must enjoy your school.
I wish that I should have to teach until I
[illegible] try it sometime though I suppose

that there are unpleasant things connected
with that as well as with other things.

John is busy writing a composition tonight
on "Pete the Great" so that he will not be
able to write tonight I think. Grandma
sends her love to [illegible] and [illegible]
and all. She says she hopes that they will
come home with [illegible]
[illegible]

It is getting rather late now & must
close. Please write again & [illegible] very glad to
get your last letter. Please answer soon.

With much love

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] answer your kind [illegible]

[illegible] delayed [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] love the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] more [illegible] saw [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

been [illegible]. I wish [illegible]

[illegible] beautiful places. [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] that [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] seen all summer.

that is so for I had some [illegible]

last summer that [illegible]

[illegible] had [illegible]

[illegible] they [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I practice every afternoon from about

[illegible] till five [illegible] exceeding 30 [illegible]

[illegible] or three quarters of [illegible]

[illegible] doing [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] sick but is now getting better

[illegible]

you went to his wife's folks and has done nothing to the house. I suppose it is a pretty dull time for painting now as for others. If you are able, I should be very glad to see a letter from you.

Your nephew,
Jno. H. Butler.

Hillsdale, Mich. Aug. 2. 76

Dear Aunt Cynthia.

I received a postal card from father yesterday, in which he says that you were then no better. I was so sorry to hear it. I hope though, that you are better before this time.

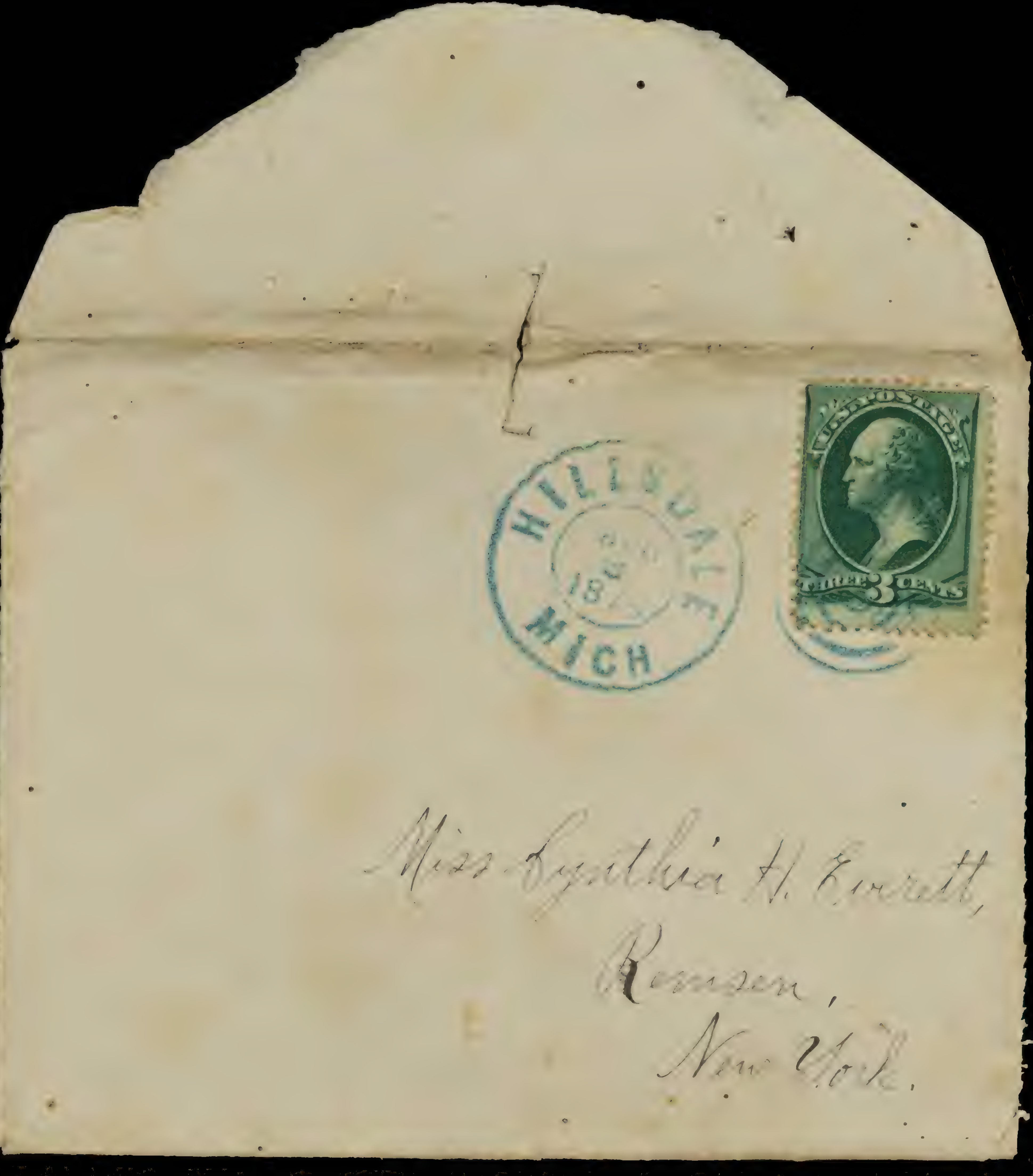
There was such a sad accident happened at Bawbeese Lake (about two miles from here) yesterday. There was a picnic party came from [illegible], and some of them went out

Boating on the lake, and one boat, containing sixteen persons was upset, and only seven came to shore. Of the nine drowned, all were ladies but one, and the youngest was a little girl nine years old. I happened to be down town when the news came. It caused great excitement, as you may suppose. It is said one of the ladies used to be a student of Hillsdale College.

Albert Hughes and wife were over to take tea with me last night. Only we did not have any tea, but a glass of milk instead. Mr. Clough's milk is very rich and sweet, nearly equal to Grandma's, I think. I went out in the garden and picked a two quart pail full of black berries, very nice, the over they were too, and we made out quite a supper. Bread and butter and berries, lamb chop and shell beans (left from dinner) canned lobster, Boston crackers, cookies and ginger snaps. Wish you could have looked in upon us as we sat there so cosily enjoying our repast.

Mrs. Haynes laughed quite heartily as she saw me rustling around getting supper, and said she should not offer to help me. I told her I should not allow her to, if she wanted to. After supper we adjourned to the parlor, and sung some of the Sunday songs and hymns, till Mrs. Haynes had to go. I then played with the boys, and we sat out on the porch enjoying the

end of the evening.
Next Monday they are both to start for the West, spending a week in Chicago, another with friends in Missouri, and two more in Sac City, Iowa, where Mr. Haynes is to conduct a County Teacher's Institute, receiving $90. for his services. He lectures three evenings during the session. He got the invitation through one of his students of last year.
The weather here is delightful. The mercury is from 60 to 65° during the night, and rises to about 85° generally in the heat of the day. I am enjoying myself first-rate, and I feel [illegible] so far. I believe that Mr. Rosser [illegible]



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Miss Cynthia H. Everett,
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Miss. C. H. Everett
Present

Scatter Seeds of Kindness.

Let us gather up the pleasant things which are around us, casting out the unpleasant ones and find our sweetest consolation in the blessings which are now. If we should feel that our feelings are wounded let us bear the pain, remembering that it cannot last forever. Let us scatter kind words and actions for our reaping bye and bye. It is strange we never esteem those things which are so pleasant until they have gone by! They never seem half so fair until their places are filled with those things which are not fair! If we knew that the baby fingers which smeared the glass would lie beside him in his coffin tomorrow — would his bright eyes ever ~~cat~~ catch a frown from us as they do now?

Ah! those little icecold hands, how they remind us of those quick actions and words strewn in the past! Yes, and one thing more pleasant, they remind us to scatter good deeds for our reaping in the future.

William H. Lurt

Winston Aug 4 '61

Dear Cynthia

I received your kind letter with much pleasure and glad was I to hear from you ... Cousin [illegible] I'll write to you I thought I would have a little Chat with you, well I where did you spend your fourth. I spent mine at Uncle Jacks well I must tell you what I saw it was the "White horse Cavalry" and I should think it was. Fannie & Maria is sewing for the volunteers here is sick at the hospital and I am making lint. there is about fifty at the hall a sewing for some of them it does so [illegible] Cheers Gray & [illegible] [illegible] are there sewing with their Medicines they have sent off one box and are making Cloth for another box now. they intend to send of this week. [illegible] Cynthia I want to tell you more about the White horse Cavalry there was about 14 young men on horse back ~~on~~ all the [illegible] [illegible] horses [illegible] [illegible] feet and others

a rill on Butter on and some [illegible] nut. a
Chas of Whiskers on the back and then
we shod the pleasure to see a peice from
Jefferson Davis it was some fellow dressed in
disguise then they marched up a little ways
and some had on wigs and they would
hang to these shoulders up in the window
this Cannon was a stove pipe with a
ball of string in it they call it the
buckwheat flapper Cannon. our
school is out now but will begin soon we are a going
[illegible] back [illegible] [illegible] old folks
and sends thes love to you and to you and to your
father and mother and brothers and sisters
but I must close for the male is a bout
starting so no more write me [illegible] letter

yours J. [illegible] Jr

Whitesboro July 24

Dear Cynthia

We were very sorry you couldn't make ~~up~~ a visit: and without meaning any harm to "Cousin Mary" I do wish she had found it convenient to have been somewhere else just at present. However I hope that you can arrange it so that you and one of the Girls can come some time during the summer

so much but what they will require in water Hoping that "Sometimes" for seeing you will soon come I remain
Yours as ever
Fanny -

You see we do not intend losing your visit; and shall live in hopes of "sometimes". The reason we wished you to come now was because Anna was at liberty; but when the girls return they will be glad to do all they can to entertain you. I do not know when they will come. They say nothing about it now.

I am glad to hear Anna is well enough to act as gardner. And in answer to her inquiries about the flowers, send some to let them speak for themselves. We have a large bed of verbenas but as they shake off so easily I only send one or two. The Pansies are very

small now compared to
what they were about two
weeks ago- they feel the
warm weather- Generally
I do not have any care of
the flowers. Ruth and I
are our "fancy Gardners"
and when they left I
received ~~so~~ many instruct=
=ions that I do not think
I had a definite idea of one.
but have done the best I
could. We have a great
many, and they need to
be watered every night. It
is a good deal of work. Anna
will not allow me to do it
as using my arm makes
it lame and causes the
return of the old pain
in my chest. Tell Jennie
I am very well better
than I have been for lo

or three years. & my side has healed, and I (am not troubled with it; except that it will not admit of much use of the arms

Emma and I are enjoying ourselves "hugely." Tonight I hope to be able to go to the Grove — shall propose to her taking supper with us — As I will leave the Office at six we can have quite a ramble before dark. Will imagine you all as present — and so make the best of your absence — I am sorry Maggie and Lallie are not well, and hope to hear soon, they are better. We send any amount of Love to all — And hope you will all enjoy the receiving of the flowers as much as we do the sending. I guess they will not wilt

Anna,

I was rejoiced to hear you were Gardening. Knowing how fond you are of flowers. I can imagine how you enjoy it; we have a large flower garden, but as it is laid out mostly in annuals and home plant it was quite late before we had much to show - we have some twenty-diffrent kind of verbenas as they do not last long I did not send only one of the freshest. The Pinks are in their Glory now I should like very much to send you some rose we have a few beautiful

ones. this A.M. they
furnish us a great deal
of pleasure - as they are
perpetuals. and we have
two or three every day -
there are five or six ~~at~~
different kinds I believe
but as yet we have not
had only three. The
Flox is just beginning to
blossom - the Balsams are
budded - and soon the
Asters will be the same
We have two beautiful
Heliotropes. I meant to
have sent you some -
but must have lost them
on the way to the off'e.
One is very dark - almost
black, and the other
very light; I hope you
can find time to tell
me about your success.
Time's up. I must stop

Anli

Rome April 6. 70

Dear Friend Cynthia

If your lett
was a long while comeing or rath
getting started it was very welcom
and interesting when it arrived
when I received your letter I little
thought you would be so far remov
from the place you wrote it before
I would answer. Your letter showed us you
were much interested and attached to
the school you were employed in
teaching at Norfolk. and it must
have made both teachers and scholar
feel very bad to be obliged to part.
but let us hope the good work commenced
there will yet be permitte
to be carried forward. I know you
have the satisfaction of knowing your
labor is not in vain in the field

you have left. it was something to get those little darkies tamed and to have them love the schools.

I give here something I heard quoted from an old mans prayer "O Arglwydd cofia yr Africaned bach duon, ai gwynebe bach duon vel y very very pared i pitch." that used to be prayed in Wales long ago, but it is quite appropriate yet I think. I received a letter from your sister Anna not long ago it was that that informed me of your leaving Norfolk. you were visiting Mary in N Y City at that time I believe. you come pretty near home didn't you. I suppose you see and feal some difference in the climate between N Y and Charleston if you had came to Steuben you would have had still more of a change. we are getting thawed out in this city or rather the snow is there is not much of it left except some patches every other with mud.

Anna informed me that Robbie had been sent to his father I suppose they all miss him much and Eddie in particular. Jane has been home for about six weeks and has just returned to Utic it seems quite lonesome here without her. Mr Evans the minister has left Floyd. and has gone on a small place near Holland Pattent. I don't know as any of the children are going to remain home. I heard Margret was going to work in a cheese factory. Pity you was not hear this winter Cynthia when Williams and Libbie broke off you would have stood a chance for him then. I guess there was no love lost on either side in that affair.

It sounds funny to hear the wagons on the pavement once more. it is hear in the photograph rooms I am writing this you see I am makeing faces yet. I have one of mine finished at present or [illegible] send you one. have you ever had any more pictures taken. Kittie Williams told she had pictures of herself and that she was going to write to you and send you one. I persume you have seen it before this time. We were all much pleased with your letters published in the [illegible] Cenhadwr. and hope to see some more from you. Mother says the thunder cloud of black faces you saw when first you set foot in Norfolk. bursted into rain when you were parting with your school. It seems strange for me to address a letter to Charleston S C it was the Cenhadwr I found your address. But I will close at present with much love from all of us. Sister Jennie included. please to write to me as soon as you conviently can. Your friend

Mary Evans

Rome March [illegible]

To Misses Anna & Cynthia Everett

Dear Friends

Your letters were duly and welcomely received it is true we looked for them some time before they came but were very glad to get them when we did And now what [illegible] [illegible] I make of the present time on this rainy day than to answer them in my poor way without attempting to write you each a letter lest I should be [illegible] the same [illegible] twice Now Dear Anna we were all sorry to hear that you did not gain strength faster after you went home, but how can it be expected you well get strong while [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Well I hope that spite of the mustard and all you feeling [illegible] stronger by this time I never see mustash now days but I have got a [illegible] [illegible] to take now very soon one of your old [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I tell you [illegible] he has the best ever that women can give him he has had his whiskers trimed kind of short and he looks as slick as a whistle

Jennie has been gone from home for two weeks she went to Floyd with Rev Mr Evans and stayed there a week or so and from there she was going to Westernville we expect her home this week Father has not been feeling as well as usual some time ago he had spells of dizziness but he is quite well now, and Mother she has had a severe cold but has got entirely over it now

Libbie Evans had gone home a few days before Jennie went to Floyd. Libbie visited here and in other places in town for about two weeks after leaving her place I have heard that Buckinghams people are coming home now very soon, if they are I should not wonder if Libbie would come back. there isnt much danger she will step off with the one she went with. Mrs Ellis, Mrs Evans daughter is staying at Mrs Williams, Mary Williams mother she is very sick, unable to sit up. she came down town to the Dr and has not been able to go home Dr West Doctors her. Mrs Van Vleck and her sister [illegible] [illegible]

were here spending the afternoon yesterday
together with Mrs Frank Roberts and
Mrs E. Pritchard they all desired to be
remembered to you
The free Methodist over the way have re-
vival meetings every evening and last week
they kept them in the day time they are
here from other places. x I have been in
their meeting two evening they are the craziest
set in christendom It would do both of you
good to see our strawberry geranium it has
beautiful flowers and has been in blossom
now for quite a while, it is quite an ornament
Well Anna whenever you feel like com-
ing back to Rome we wont consider it a
nuisance to have you here we have not
forgotten how well we enjoyed your company
both Cynthia and you I have not seen Lib
Edwards since I came home Mother sees her
Mother about every week she inquires for
you and sends love to you Ephraim
Hattie Williams has written to you or else
she told me last week she was going to
Father received your letter, note and [illegible]
for the Builder and you will find enclosed
an acknowledgement of the same

Mother was pleased to hear that you had made another wreath this one is much admired by all that see it

But I might as well stop now as [illegible] time please give my love to your aunt Mary when you write to her. Father and Mother join with me in sending love to all your folks without nameing one of you and accept of a full share yourselves

Please write to me soon. This from

Your sincere friend

Mary Evans

Turin Nov 30th 1860

Friend Miss Everett

It hasn't been exactly a rainy day here today but it has snowed and rained [illegible] for all I think it will do to write a letter, that is the time we boys generally choose to write our letters The prospects are fair this evening for more sleighing it is quite stormy out. we have had a very heavy rain for the past two day The freshet has taken a part of Mr Penn's saw-mill away for the third time. for all. Try again appears to be his motto. I found some snow in Lewis Co when I came home, it wasn't enough for a sleigh ride. but Saturday night it snowed enough for us to have some sleigh rides first of the week

Now I must tell you a little
about the pleasant time I had
coming home from Remsen the
train arrived at Boonville at
half past one o'clock, and when
we got there the stage hadn't
come from Turin so we waited
for about two hours and finally
started in an open wagon it
was much pleasanter riding than
it would have been in the coach
but we had not gone far when
one of the seats broke down and
I was one of the unfortunate
occupants. there was nothing to do
only to introduce ourselves to the
bottom of the wagon. any one
seeing us wouldent think that
we were members of the Temperance
society. we rode in that position
for over three miles over the
rough roads when we met the
coach we had a ride on that

for the rest of the way, we arrived
at Turin a little before seven
just in time for the singing
school. It was nearly eleven o'clock
when I reached home. found the
folks all well. I was telling
you when down there I was
a going to attend school at Turin
this winter. I did commence
last Monday, and had to
stay after School the first night
the boys thought it strange that
a Scholar must be kept after
school the first night. I havent
been to school since. I have
taken a school for this winter
in School District No 13 the
school house is across the way
from Robert Evans's house. I
am a going to board at home
shall commence next Monday
I've been telling Jennie that
she must not think much to me

after school commences as she does at home. she has been trying to copy my letter on her slate as I am writing. Little Eddie says that he is 'a going to Lowville to school this winter. he is Owen's boy all day so as to get him to whittle some play things for him, but as soon as it is dark he is nobody's boy but his mother's. The Tughillians are all well. Remember me to all of your people and to Mr David Price. write soon

From a Tughillian

J. F. Evans

[illegible] March 7th 1[illegible]

Friend Miss Everett

Once more with pen in hand and very sleepy, very comfortable feeling, mother [illegible] a [illegible] of a [illegible] I am a going to undertake a task which always was rather hard for me to do. It would be nice if I could write such a letter as Miss Everett and other do, that it would be pleasure to write. I like to receive a letter much better than to write one. My friends are so few that a letter only comes once in a great while. The school is the chief excitement with me just now. I am counting the days instead of the weeks and [illegible] half the hours. it will close next Saturday and as far as I am concerned I don't think that they will be thought of in a little while. still there are some in my school. Must

I would like to stay with a little while longer and see what little there is not any chance for them. I often wonder if I ever caused a teacher to feel as I've felt myself many a time this winter. I always used to think that school teachers fared as well if not better than people in general. Our singing-school has closed two weeks and some were anxious to have it kept longer we could just as well attend as not as long as the sleighing lasted, we went to Collinsville to a singing school last evening, a load Martha, Mary Ann, Adelaide, Kennedy, Frank, Richard, & Hattie [illegible] all of myself, we found a nice singing school there. Besides having a pleasant ride. Adelaide told me to scold at you when I wrote to you for not answering her letter. Frank always says all sisters so I guess that I will not say these titles this time. Rev Mr Rowland had an auction yesterday he is selling out so as to go off West, he will

not sell all of his things. he will
not be likely to go off until he
sells his house and other things we
would like to have him stay though
but he seems to want to go West. where
perhaps he will do much better.
[illegible] [illegible] in Lorain Co. and Rev
Mr. Fields has left us and the
church is [illegible]. Rev H. R. Williams and
Rev E. T. Turner are a going to leave
[illegible]. Ministers are going to be few
[illegible] as it is not because we do
not need them. Mr. Barber Payne
has sold out. he has been sick
for some time back & he was not
able to move first of March, she is
getting better now. Oscar, Marys baby
has been sick. they had to have a
doctor a number of times. he has
grown poor considerable to what he
was before his sickness. he is getting
to be quite smart now. Remember
Dan to all of your folks and
dont follow the fashion in regard
to writing

F. N. C.

[illegible] Aug 18th 1867

Friend [illegible]

After a long while I have finally got to writing an answer to your letter which I received some time ago. it appears that I have followed your example this time for all it was not done intentionally It has been rather busy time with us this summer as usual. we do not have the long evenings which we do in the winter to spend in writing letters &c. Our time is mostly taken up at the factory. still I have not worked as hard this summer as last. when there is a little time to spend it is generally spent [illegible] town, or else in going [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] home last Thursday evening [illegible] found them all well. and [illegible] & family are well as usual

The Jug Hill school has partly proved a failure this summer. Miss [illegible] Pepster took the school last spring and taught for several weeks and then the school closed I could not say whether she quit on her own account or got turned off. then Mr Trustee hired another teacher by the name of Miss Lucina Allen. and was to commence her school last Monday. She was on hand at the time appointed. and all the scholars she had were Alida and George Shehart. she stayed until late in the fore-noon and then disappeared and has not been up since! It is rather busy time just now the poorest time in the year for scholars when people are haying and berries so plenty perhaps by and by the scholars may come again People are nearly through haying on the flats but there is considerable to do on the hills yet. Father will get

through in about two days more
John has been home helping them
for three days this week. the weather
has been [illegible] for haying [illegible] weeks
through the week until to day we had
a very heavy shower this morning
which gave them a play day. the weather
does not make any difference with our
business we have to work rainy days
the same as when it is pleasant

Miss Esther A Dickinson daughter of
Jerome Dickinson was buried on the
hill week ago last Monday she died
with the brain fever. I was up to the
funeral the only day I've been away
this summer. Ebenezer & Mary Jones's
baby died last Sunday night and was
buried Tuesday on the hill. Mr Millard
the old gentleman has been sick for
two or three weeks back. the doctor says
that it is old age that ails him
Mary Ann is up there helping Mrs Millar

[illegible]
[illegible] you [illegible] often
[illegible] Summer [illegible] you [illegible] all the
[illegible] sisters. Jenny
Roberts and Jane Prichard have got
through working at their trade they
are up on the hill now.

Now you must not wait as long
without writing as I did. my respects
to all your people.

Thos R Evans

[illegible] Street
[illegible]
April 1st 1862

Dear Cousin Cynthia

I dare say you will be rather surprised to receive a letter from me after such a long silence. the fact is I feel a desire and longing to be more intimately acquainted with my dear relatives on that side of the Atlantic, more especially your family & particularly yourself. my brother John and his wife gave us a very admirable description of your good qualities they are never tired of praising you for your kindness towards them. with heartfelt gratitude have they [illegible]

[illegible]

given expression to their
sense of innumerable little
attentions and unequalled
kindness paid them by you
during their sojourn amongst
you - while listening to their
tale my heart has warmed
towards you & hoped for
the period when able to
thank you verbally -
The last time I heard from
them they were very Comfortable
and intended taking a
larger house and accommodate
the sea visitors with apartments
they may do very well
during the bathing season -
very probably they have
informed you of these
things direct, therefore
I will not run the risk
of repeating stale news -
I enclose you my
Carte de visite. I remain,

wish I could visit you
personally and not photographing
excuse the expressions.
Could we not induce you
to Come over to your
Motherland if it was
only for a Short stay!
for a Summer or two?
I suppose Uncle's Ministerial
engagements and daily
avocations will not permit
him to Come over again
there would be hundreds
in ecstasies of joy at
the news of his Coming -
If I wasnt Confined to my
employment if an opportunity
~~of~~ would occur I should
have very little hesitation
in accepting & embracing
the chance of making myself
present at your door
in Remsen some fine evening
but these are aerial flights

of dreamy productions &
wild fancy - we must resign
ourselves to the ways of
providence and meet the
monotonous realities of
life contentedly -
May I request the favor
of a note from you
when convenient its a long
time since I heard a
word from Thomas.
I hope he is in the land
of the living and out
of the way -
I hope my Uncle & Aunt and
Cousins are well
please convey to them
my best love
& I remain
Your Affectionate Cousin

Charles Henry Everett
23 Scarisbrick Street
Wigan -

Olean
May 12. 1865

My Dear Cousin Cynthia

I am much pleased at the Contents of your beautiful letter. I happened to be in my brother John's house when it arrived and I had the privilege and delightful task to perform that of reading both theirs and my own. I must Confess that I had almost given you up for lost and thought that dear Cousin Cynthia had forgotten me entirely but I am happy to see such is not the Case and Confidently anticipate that in future she will not keep me so long without the favor of a reply. I have recently established a home for my Mother & myself in Olean and the change has proved beneficial to both of us. I am much happier than when living in lodgings and no

most obliged for brother Thomas' address I will
write to him soon

amongst its number - her mind
is relieved of the presentiment
of some sad bereavement
and she can peruse the remaining
portion of the letter with pleasure
I enclose my "Carte" & will expect
yours in return - I will endeavour
to procure my dear Father's
& Mothers to send next -
Please excuse me from saying
much respecting our great
loss I refer to my dear Father's
departure from this life - I
was very suddenly summoned
to his deathbed and am not
able to say whether he recognised
his youngest & I may say favorite
child - it was the most solemn meeting
we ~~[illegible]~~ ever had before -
he lingered a few days and
then joined Him whom he
had loved to serve upon
earth to serve and glorify
His name in heaven for
evermore -

wonder - possessing such a blessing
as a Good Mother's love to watch
and Care for me - she is
much more cheerful than when
she lived alone in Dyserth -
We have also my brother Samuel
with us - he has been indisposed
for a long time and is yet
very delicate and unable to
follow his avocation -
I enclose an indifferent
translation of mine if Uncle
will think it worth inserting
in the Cenhadwr he may do so,
and if well received I may try
to contribute something more
substantial next time - and if
you continue to send Mother
the Cenhadwr (and I hope
you will as she feels a deep
interest in it -) please address
it as per enclosed envelope -
Mother looks over the "Marwol-
aethau" first and if she finds
there are none of the Overet

I am sometimes seized with
a very great longing to see
you all and if I had been
without family ties I believe
I should have emigrated long
ere this - why not you come
over to see us? it will take
but a few days if you do
come I will ensure a most
cordial welcome - a plate a
cup a bed &c will be at
your service at 23 Pearsbrick
if you should seriously entertain
our proposal, of course you
would let us know two or three
days before you come - ha hum
my best love to you all - will
send longer letter next time
Mother and Samuel wish
to be affectionately remembered
to all bearing any relationship
or friendship to our most
dignified family -
Your very affectionate Cousin
E. A. Everett

May 10th 1870

probably to Cynthia

Dear Sir

I am taking my pen in hand to write you this few lines to ask you if you please send some little books 20 of A B C books and 12 of question books and send to me how much they will cost and we will send the money for them. I have ~~one~~ $1 in hand for the Magazine and there is one more [illegible] to [illegible] 1 to pay yet and I dont think that [illegible] [illegible] pay [illegible] away

his bones turned
down about ten weeks
ago.

this is from
Daniel Edwards
Emmett

Call for [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Aug 13/70

We would like to
get the bills for
next monday if
it is possible

Turin, March 3, 75.

Dear Cynthia;

Your letter and the papers came this eve. We reached home safely at 10 o'clock Monday eve. but had a tedious ride from the depot as it had snowed much more here than it did there. We were 1½ hours coming from the depot. Found the children well. Carroll was up, waiting for us. Charlie's cold is much better. We are very sorry John cannot make us a visit. Tell him I will write to him when he gets back to Kansas, and want him to write to us. As he cannot see the children we will send him their Photographs when we have some taken. Tell Jennie tha if she wishes me to send her a dress by mail for 80¢ to let- [illegible].

Write soon again and let us know how you all are and how [illegible] is. We were very sorry that we could not have staid with you a few days. You must be very busy now with the [illegible]. I am afraid that Jennie will work herself sick. She looked so tired and worn. It will make it a great deal easier to have John's help for a few days.

Affectionately
Your brother
E.W. Everett.

P.S. — Joe. Shepard and Mrs. Pier Davis were married today. Mate's brother James and Cornelia McConnell are also married.

C. H. Everett
Bot of Riggs, William, &

1 qr Paper		.20
1 pkg. Envelops		.15
2 ps Braid	16	.32
1 Box Pens		.20
Paid for Worsted		.12
		.99

I could not exchange the split worsted they had "sold it all yesterday" We have no means to match this [illegible] if this does not suit return it.

The wedding was just splendid. I have nothing now to write about but you will hear all about it through Lou's & [illegible]

Send this with Will.
Pierce as Lewis & Jane will
probably not come this way.
I have had a bad cold
but am allmost well now.

In haste

E. V. Everett

Osawatomie Sept 11 1872

Dear Aunt Cynthia

You must not expect a very long letter at the sight of this sheet it was the only ~~sheet~~ [illegible] we had in the house. I was very glad to get your last. I would like to have seen to the license. We have not had a letter directly from Frank since he left but we got one from the young man that went with him he said Frank had no way of writing at present and he asked in place but he was a little lonesome than not being among young folks much they are working about 15 miles apart and see each other about 2 or 3 times a week we have not heard but once from either of them ~~[illegible]~~ they are [illegible] ingathering early fall this year if [illegible] how is it with you. every dark rainy night makes me think "well Frank is riding round a drove a little singing the most [illegible] song". Father has not been very well for the last week or so. I think he has been having the chills he has been a little bilious for the last [illegible] [illegible] there is a great deal of sickness and folks [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] there is more sick and dying this fall than I ever knew before there is some one sick at allmost every house. there were three person berried to day and too on the last sunday a man over the other side of the potawatomie about som 8 miles from here stabed his son inlaw and his daughter and his wife last friday night the soninlaw fell and lay down while he was stabing the other two as soon he had stabed the too wimen he went back to the soninlaw to finish killing him it is supposed by this time the young man had got up and got a chip and met the old man and knocked him down and killed him. this young man died last night the old man his daughter the first time he [illegible] her his wife is not expected to live. So there many sick around there it is now getting late and I must now close. so good night

from your affectionate nephew; Robbie

Adress R. C. Everett
Osawatomie
Kans.

PS
Allie going to
write to wil
and I will
bring it inside
his letter
think I sent them
the last letter
he wrote to
me Robbie

Osawatomie March 23/ 72

Dear Aunt Cynthia

I am almost afraid that you will think that I have forgotten that I had an Aunt that I owed a letter to. but I think when this reaches you that a letter will be owing the other way I would have wrote sooner but I have had a great deal to evenings since I recieved your letter. I have got up a paper for the literary! the last night for this winter and then we got up an exhibition in our school house. and then I have run around a good evenings besides. I believe that I have been away from home more evenings since school let out than I have been at home we have been getting out fencing this spring I think we have got it most all split and have only about two more days hauling to do I have hauld most of it. I went to an auction sale to day but went to get one of the boys to go with me and stayed there a good while and did not get

to the sale untill it
was most over. it is the
finest sale I have been
to since I have been in
kansas and then did not
get there untill it was
most over. I meant to
go to meeting to night
but I thaught I had better
stay home and answer your
letter or you would think
I was never going to answer
it. we have had a very
cold winter for Kansas this
winter but I hope it is
about over. we intend to
put in our oats next week
if the weather will permit
Mr Snow is liveing with with
us now he bought a 3 year old colt up
at the sale to day he wath

me to ride it to morna
morning I think I will
try it and if he throw
me it will be nothing more
than other colts now dare
but I hope he will not
I almost forgot to tell
you that Father bought
me a yearling colt the other day
he is a pretty little thing
or at least I think so
how I do wish he was
to brake to ride. if he
was I think the snow would
have to wait a little
while before he got his
broke or git some one
else to brake him. it
is getting late and I must
now close from your
affectionate nephew.

Robbie Everett

R C Oventh
Osawatomie
Kansas
Miami Co

[illegible] May [illegible] 1871

Dear Friend Cynthia

I have not been very prompt in answering your last letter I was very busy when I received your last and have not had time to write untill to night I have plowed and harrowed about twenty acres since I wrote last, I think we will begin to [illegible] next week I have about [illegible] acres to plow yet for corn. we have got in 10 acres of oats and they come up nice. Frank has been working up at Paola last week. I think he will come

home this week and help us
put in the corn. there was
a man killed about 2 ½ miles
west of here the other night
about an hour after dark while
returning home from one
of his neighbors. and there
was 2 persons drownded in
the Marais des Cygnes. the
same weeke one of them was the
with the other mo in of
sister of a methodist minister
that used to preach in Osawat-
omie last year they ~~were~~ had
~~coming~~ ~~abo~~ been over to Osawatomie
t get some butter and were
g home and it is thought
that they drove down under
the bridge to water there horse
the young man was found
holding the horse by the bridle
reins. Tell John that I will
write to him ~~the~~ ~~next~~ ....

yours as soon as I can get
time again it is getting time
to go to bed so I must close
From your nephew Robbie

Osawatomie Jan. 17 1875

Dear Aunt Cynthia

we have not heard from you for a long time so I thought I would write to you this morning Father is going to town this morning to meeting and I guess I will send it over with him I was up to a spelling school last night. I was the next to the last one down. I was to one about a week ago and never missed a word I go to school every day now. I lack just 100

pages of abeing through my
my rithmatic I think
I will git through it
this winter. we have five
more weeks of school.
the boys are talking of
geting up an exhibitin
this winter I think they
are to meet tomorow night
Thare has been a meeting
ever night for the last
week or two. I have been
thare almost every night.
our horses have all been
sick with the epozootae
they have all got well but
my pony. he is pretty bad
yet. I thought once he was
going to die but I think
he is very near well now
we have had 2 or 3 weeks
of good seighing this winter

but ~~there~~ is it is all
gone now. is Eddie going
to school now. Frank is
at home now. he talk
of going back on the plains
is the spri[illegible] Father
is almost ready to go so
I must now close.

From your affectionate
Nephew R E Everett

The "Sisters" send much love and kisses —
Mrs H. will write — she says, on business in a few days, the children are very well, and pretty and cunning as ever —
The cook left — a week ago, in a "huff"

Charleston Feb. 10th
18[illegible]1 -

Dear Little Woman —

That long letter did go without one written line from me, I would not have believed it a day before, but the reason was, I did not know of it till after I O.K. and I dont know when I was ever guilty of commencing anything but sleep, after I was in bed.

Tell your kind

Sarah B. T.

letter to us all has just
passed round. We are
all delighted to hear
from you. I mean all
that are left of us. You [illegible]
not be very much surpris-
-ed after what Miss [illegible] wrote
you to learn that she left
on Thursday of the same
week she wrote you. On
Wednesday night a telegram
was received that she was
to leave us, her father had
died. Of course it was a
sad time for us all
but she bore up under it
much better than we feared
We are lonely I do assure
you. And Sarah is more
& more of a mind to

- [illegible] us at the end of
this term, She has suffered
much with her head since
we left and is so dis-
couraged and vexed with
her surroundings; poor
child I do feel for her -
she has just been in talking
in tears with Mr & Mrs
W. Mrs W. persuading her to
get up earlier, & not to-hum
& sink in her room - I
have laughed at her, sung
to her, called her attention
to the glorious sunset, besides
any amount of moralizing
but all to no effect, just
first imagine her walking
the Piazza in that frenzied
manner, of old -

We are longing for a visit
of Mr Cravath, hope to see
him a few days. I really
wish I could send you
some of our beautiful flowers
& and warm sunsh
but you will soon [illegible]
I suppose where you [illegible]
Mr Ford was greatly grieved
to find that you had forgotten
to send him a little love —
but Sarah tried to pacify
him, though how well she
succeeded I failed to learn.
Our hearts are full of kindly
wishes, and heavenly benedic-
tions, I know you will not
need to have them enume-
rated — You left your gloves
which I enclose. You also
left your Summer hat —
what can we do about this
Write soon, with much love to

The Plymouth Congl. Ch. in Charleston S.C. to the Congregational Church in Remsen N.Y. Greeting

Rev & Beloved. The bearer Sister C. H. Everett a member in good standing with us receives at her own request this letter of dismission and recommendation to you.

When we are notified that she has been received by you her membership in this Church will be considered at an End.

Wishing you grace Mercy & Peace

In behalf of the Ch

Jas T. Ford, Pastor.

Charleston May 1. 1872 -

(Mrs. Ford hopes to hear from you again soon, and so do I.)

(B.x.175.)

Charleston May 1. 1872

Dear Miss Everett:

My wife asks me to write to you for her, and I am glad to do so, for her sake, as her hand is so crippled with rheumatism that she cannot well write, and also because it is pleasant to have a brief chat with you though it be by pen and paper.

It was good to hear from you once more - though if we could have had it our way we should have chosen to hear that you were strong & well, ~~not more~~ - but we know the Lord's ways are higher than our ways, and I trust you are able to say as

a little girl of our S.S. said
to me on her dying bed, "I've
left it all with Him".

I Enclose for you a letter
from the Church, voted at our
Church meeting on Monday Eve.
We consider you no less
a sister with us in Christ
than before. The Lord has
prospered us since we En-
tered our New Church. We
have a large number with
us who have lately begun to
follow Christ, and some are
still inquiring the way. Your
old Class remains very much
the same I think as when you
were here, they are all in the
Church Except Rebecca Rogers
Carrie Linnen & Alice Davis. and
I am not sure that all these were
in the Class when you had it.
The two first of these I trust are

followers of Christ.

Clara Washington has just gone to Swampscott, Mass. to remain, at least, for a year or two.

Sarah J Martin is at Rockville, Conn. Miss M. Annie Wood is at East Randolph, Mass. or if not, a letter addressed to that place will reach her.

Jennie & Shosho- are both of them making good progress in stature, health, and in agreeableness of appearance & disposition.

The family here are all well except Mrs Ford whose Rheumatism troubles her more than ever. She says "tell her the house is full of flowers, and we are enjoying green peas & strawberries".

You speak of your boys in Washington. I hear that they are doing well. Three of them have joined the Church since going there. but wife says Mrs Warren has written you about that. She brings a very diminutive nosegay to enclose in this letter. I am sure you will find it a sweet one.

I have simply endeavored to answer your questions & requests, and have now very little more time or paper. I am sure you will be able to put in all the faithful exhortations, pious reflections and scriptural allusions which should grace a model letter from a pastor, and to quite as good purpose as I could have done it. You know that you have our best wishes for your spiritual and also temporal well being

Cordially yours
Jas T. Ford

excerpts from [illegible]

Charleston May 8. 1871

Dear Miss Everett -

I must send a few lines with wifes letter. In the Am. Missionary for May I noticed an acknowledgement of a contribution from you of $16.00 for our chapel - It was only last week that the magazine came. I have thought often of writing to you but now I said I must write and let her know much we are gratified that she remembers the church with her gifts. The work on the church is now rapidly going forward Did you see the plan before you left. We hope to have the outside of the building finished early in June. We must wait till we get more money before we can finish it within. I am not collecting from sabbath Schools at the north. sending them letters from our S.S. with photograph of the front according to architects plan asking them to contribute to put in windows or doors or seats.

Wife writes you of our Communion season yesterday. We wish you could have been present with us. Elizabeth Eugenia was one of those received to the Church. She speaks of your faithfulness to her as instrumental in leading her to the Savior.

Our Sabbath School is larger than when you left us but the attendance is very uncertain.

Your stay with us was very short after you came into the church with us. But I trust it may be for a blessing to us and to you that you are numbered with us. I am sure you remember us at the throne of Grace. I trust that ~~to~~ the change in your circumstances through your leaving Charleston has proved a benefit to your health and that spiritually you find in richer measure the peace of God in your heart.

When ever you deem it best to remove your church relation a letter will be ready for you. But I am happy to remain still your pastor though I feel that as a pastor I have hardly fulfilled my trust.

Praying that you may receive all and abound from the infinite fountain of blessing I am

Yours in Christ

Jas. T. Ford.

Miss Hilliard & Miss Duncan hope to call on you on their return north. Miss Hilliard says we will write and let her know beforehand when we shall come

J.T.F.

Charleston March, 25th
1872 –

My dear Friend –

It is a long time since we have heard from you, so long, that I hardly know if I am to blame for the long silence or not – but as I am usually the delinquent in such things I take it for granted in this case, and therefore reopen upon you; where are you? how are you? and how spending your time, are questions you must gratify me, by answering soon – I saw by a little notice in our "Congregationalist", that your good Father had been kindly remembered by his friends

I showed it to Mrs Warren
which led to a pleasant talk
of you & the other old teachers
I was glad to hear yesterday
of Sarah Martin, She is with
the sister, who married last
year, in Springfield Mass.
She is in poor health, having
just recovered from a severe
sickness. I saw her last fall
when I was North, as also Miss
Wood, Do you hear from either?
Miss Duncan & Hilliard are
here, also a Miss Perkins
from Ct. and a young grad-
uate of Amherst, Mrs Warren
has another boy nearly three
months old, It has been a very
worrysome child. A Miss Season,
is Matron. She has long been
in the service. Mr Cravath

is here, or has been, and will return here on Thursday to witness the Examination of the School. Two gentlemen from the north are also here for a few days. We have had a cold, rainy season for the South, with scarcely a warm day, for months. But I have flowers in my room, as I have had, every week this winter. Mr Lord sends you an account of the dedication of our Chapel, it is very pretty indeed, and our people are very happy over it, I wish you could see it. Our S.S. remains about the same in numbers, but we are looking for an increase. There is considerable religious interest, we trust a number of conversions, some are gathered in at every Communion season - Was Anna Isard in your S.S. class she is dead, and we have reason to feel that she was ripe for Heaven, It seemed as if she could not leave the world till we returned from the north, and so had waited just outside the gate, till "her prayer was answered" - she went in, a few days after we arrived - If I could recall your Scholars, I would tell you of them - But I am not able to -, You will excuse this short, poorly written letter as I have not the full use of my right hand, having suffered from Rheumatism most of the winter; Mr Ford joins with me in much love

Truly Your friend Sarah B. Ford

W. P. Ca. Jan 11th 186[illegible]

Dear Professor

Yours of the 10th was duly received and in reply I will give you the time of the following recitations as far as I am acquainted with them. Philosophy at One P.M. U S History at Three. Advanced Algebra at ten A.M. I think there will be no recitation in the Philosophy & Infantry & Advanced Algebra. And as I did not receive yours until Wednesday night and thinking one day would make considerable difference I would defer it no longer.

I do not know the time for Latin.

Yours truly

M. Lillie Evans

WHITESTOWN
N.Y.
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Miss C. H. Ewell
Remsen Oneida Co.
N.Y.

Camden.
June 17

Dear Miss Cynthia.

Your kind note containing seeds, came duly to hand.
Please accept thanks for the same. I shall watch their putting forth with much pleasure. Some seeds (plant by my sister) from the same papers as those your sister sent you, took it in their little heads, not to show themselves

in this small world of ours.
Did you prove so obstreperous? if so — I am afraid the reminders of your "Brothers-in-law"!!! — I will be scared.

Your sister, and my friend is a very thoughtful little woman; and I am under obligations to her in more ways than one, especially for the assistance in my Medical Course last Winter, also professionally.

Remember me kindly to your Father, and Mother. Love to all my "Sisters".

Yours
Anna E. Griffith

Miss C. H. Everett

fr Miss Hallie Griffith
June 6th

[illegible]

N. Y. City April 15th 1870

Dear [illegible]

I have intended for some time past to write to you but as is often the case I have neglected doing so. We have had beautiful weather for the last two weeks. Yesterday was really hot it seemed cold in the night & today is chilly. Enclosed you will find one dollar ($1.) which we owe you. By this time you know of the death of Mr. William Williams which was very sad indeed. Had his life been spared they would have got along nicely. Father has been to New York City we expect him home tomorrow morning. We are all enjoying excellent health and hope that you enjoy the same great blessing. We all unite in sending our love to you all.

Your Niece [illegible]
Hattie R. Griffiths

[illegible]

[illegible] that I could not see you for I have thought [illegible] my [illegible] it would be [illegible] to have a good [illegible] [illegible] have [illegible]

[illegible] dear [illegible]

[illegible] though my [illegible]

[illegible]

pleasure than enough for the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you &
I so often think of I could
[illegible] nothing [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] write all
[illegible]. [illegible]
Love to [illegible] and you [illegible]
[illegible] same. I know that
[illegible] [illegible] enjoy very good health
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Prairie Dec 14th

Dear Cousin C[illegible]

the
long delay I will try
to write you a few lines
to let you know that we
are all well hoping that
you are all the same although
I feel very guilty that I
haven't written to you sooner
but I hope that you will
forgive me I haven't [illegible]
in particular [illegible] I delayed so
long I thought of you every
day but I have been very busy

~~busie~~ busy sence I came
home Sister Fannie has
been sick and I have been
with her for two weeks
and I have been to Canstisville
to brother Thomas and ~~to~~ to
Collinsville a while.
we have (a singing school every
week and next Thursday
night we are going to have
a consert the Hill fowlks
and Collinsville fowlks all
to gither we are gonig to have
it to Collinsville and we are
going to make Rev Mr Isaac
a present of a book worth
forty three Dollers $43) we are
going to give it to him to
the consert we dont want

him to know anything
a bout it, I havent seen
Eddy but once ~~once~~ since
I came home and that
was the morning he sent
the trunk and I told him
that I coldent come down
there I have been in the
store twise sence then but
he was not ~~th~~ there I think I
will go there to day
Mary Ann Millard has got a
other little boy have they got
the Stone Church finished
has your Mother is [illegible]
well, you tell Annie that
I think of her these are
night for I [illegible] sleep
alone I should like to see
you once to have a [illegible]

met I must draw to
a close so Bye by
I send my regards to all

From your true friend

Callie to Cynthia

Please write soon

Miss Cynthia Everett.

[illegible]

Kindness of Ella. & [illegible].

Please inform me
how Emma is.
Give my love and a
kiss to her.

Your Friend
Katie.

Dear Friend Cynthia

Please accompany me to the services of the Methodist Church to morrow morning at 10½. and then come to our house at noon and then from there to our Sabbath School or to the Welsh Church just which you prefer.

Please favor me with a reply

Your True Friend

Katie

Kansas Dec 6th 1857

My dear Cynthia

In consequence of vario
and pressing duties, I have permitted
your kind and soothing letter to remain
long unanswered, not because I did not
prize it highly, nor receive it gratefully.
It was truly a cordial to my feelings, and
I thank sincerely for it: I hope our correspon-
dence will continue which was commenced
with your sweet letter. My feelings are
very different now from what they were
a year ago, then I thought of nothing but
the things of this world, now of my soul
of Christ, and of heaven. We spent many

pleasant hours together last winter, but if
we could be together now, I think we would
enjoy ourselves much better, O! how could
I have so long refused to forsake my sins
and come to Christ, and he so ready to
forgive. "Come now and let us reason
together, saith the Lord, though your sins
be as scarlet they shall be as white as snow
though they be red like crimson they shall
be as wool." how can any one refuse him.
I have but a short time to remain upon this
earth, but my prayer to God is that while
I do remain here, my cheif delight be to
serve him, soon very soon all who are now
living will have past away, "as for man his
days are as grass, as a flower of the field it
flourisheth, the wind passeth over it, and
it is gone, and the place thereof shall be
known no more." I beseech you my dear
friend to pray for me, that I shall perform
all my duties faithfully while I am permitted
to remain here, and at length when Death
shall come, that I shall be prepared to leave

all and depart in peace, to dwell forever
with God. "There the wicked cease from
troubling and the weary are at rest". I should
like to write much more, but I must soon
close so that Ellen can write. Maggie wishes
to be kindly remembered to you, she is very
much obliged to you for that kind letter
and will answer it as soon a she can. She
is quite busy now with her studies, Give my
love to Sarah, and tell her I should be pleased
to receive a letter from her,

Your sincere Friend
Sarah,

Remsen. Dec 5th/86

My dear Cynthia,

Leaving all other considerations aside, I will now devote a
few comfortable moments in replying to
your very kind letter which we received
with so much pleasure, I am grateful to
you my dear friend for your kind interest
for my future happiness. I fear I had not
thought of it as you and my friends have
But I thank God that he has brought me

to the knowledge of the truth. I do know how now I could live so long without one thought of that dreadful eternity to which I was fast hastening. But I trust that my heart is changed, and I am resolved to live differently the remainder of my life. and to do his will, for Jesus has said not every one that saith unto me. Lord Lord shall enter into the kingdom of heaven but he that doeth the will of my Father. which is in heaven. I hope you will pray for me that I fail not. How sweet it is to think that when called to leave this world, if we have loved him and kept his commandments, we shall enter into that kingdom prepared for us from the foundation of the world. How important it is then that we strive to do his will. But it is getting late and I must now close. Give my love to Sarah and tell her to write to me for I would prize a letter from her so highly. Libbie wishes to be remembered to you, she was very much pleased to receive so kind a letter from you but wishes to be excused from answering it at present. for her time is so much occupied with her studies, but will answer it as soon as possible when you write to Annie please give my love and tell her to write. Your ever affectionate Friend. Ellen

[illegible]

April [illegible]

Dear [illegible]

This beautiful [illegible] morn
finds me seated [illegible] my [illegible]
engaged in writing to you [illegible]
had intended [illegible] a long
time [illegible]
reminded that you have forgotten [illegible]
[illegible] friends [illegible]
letter which [illegible]
[illegible] improve this present
opportunity in giving you a [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible], and [illegible]
you had [illegible]

ate and imagine my surprise when she
informed me that you was at Providence. I
received a letter from Anna last week
and she said she had not received a letter
from you since you left Warren. Why Hannah!
you must have been very busy [illegible] not
to have answered Anna's letter, I hope you
will write oftener than she [illegible] to
receive a letter once in three months.
The weather here is delightful. All [illegible]
have returned from "N.Y." with their spring
goods. Do you remember what a time Anna
had last spring in buying two calicoes
I presume you have heard of Lewis departure
he have been attending school at [illegible] some
time he was been homesick away from
his friends. but I am happy to hear that
he has found "a friend that sticketh closer than
a brother"! He has found a friend (who when
all should forsake) will still love and be with
him at all times. The union meetings which
were held here are still continued though not
as often. Last Sabbath morning there was held

a prayer-meeting held at five in [illegible]
church at eight o'clock in the morning.
I read in the paper that there is a [illegible]
at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] good
[illegible] to [illegible] I have not been [illegible]
very little but intend to go [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
in sending their love to you and would
be pleased to hear from you. [illegible]
[illegible] hoping soon to hear from you.

Yours affectionately
[illegible]

Floyd. Feb. 15th 1870,

Miss C H Everett

Dear Sister in Christ.

Your letter was duly received we were glad to hear from you I have Stated your Cause, or as I might say the cause of Christ at Norfolk and the Church to ke hold at once to get a Barell full of Good Close, last week there was at Our House 18 Ladies and 2 Sawing Machines. and so the Barell is ready. and I will send it to morrow to New York to be forwarded to you. You may find in the Barell 10 yds of Calico for you personally — We are all well — and all of your friends at Floyd are well Miss Jennett Jones will send you a letter soon — Yours in haste

I R Griffith

N.B. The Contents of the Barrell is worth about $ 60.00 ~~& is [illegible]~~

Oneida Valley May 1 1872

Dear Cynthia

It's a long time since you wrote me you know as well as I. I have been very negligent not writing to you before. I was so disappointed to receive the letter saying you were not coming after all my grand anticipation. I lotted so much on such a good time with you. I felt so bad when I realized you were not coming that I sit right down and cried it out I thought perhaps it was because I wrote such a letter if you remember it was plain I didn't want you to come here and think we were living in grand style

when we want I have a good comfortable
home & good kind husband he is older to
be sure and is growing older all the time
he has grown old fast since Kate died
that was a bitter affliction for him he
hasnt been able to do much business since
he dont seem to do as well as before its seems
to be worrying him to this day she was his
Idol he thought she was perfect. she was
a beautiful lovely young lady if I do say it
Jennie is growing fast and has many of Kates
ways she will soon be a young lady she has
taken Music lessons two terms nearly she
can play very well for a little girl
She wants you to come out here so bad
wish you could come now its so pleasant
this Spring couldnt you come when are
you coming to Rome again you and
Anna must come and see me before
long I will do my best to make your
visit pleasant and aggreable
I want you to come people here have
never seen many of my friends out there

for they never come here I dont know the
season without they think we are (yankees)
we would like to of had you come here
last fall about the time I wrote you
to come the girls thought it strange your
not coming after my expecting you so much
I want you to come I want you to see
my husband and I want he should see
you just as much write a week before
you start so I will surely get the letter
and I will meet you at Miners Hotel
Oneida Depot any time wish you were
here now Mr Tubbs has been from home
since a week last Monday he is in New York
on business and I worry a great deal about
him I cant help it write me soon how
is sister Lib — why dont she write me
I will send one of Johy's pictures perhaps you
would like one. I will expect a photograph
of yours or some of you come and see me
some of you sisters I am not particular which
one you are all good I want to see you all

Johny has a bright eye but when his picture was taken he was very sleepy his eyes look dull and heavy ~~there~~

the seed you sent me I feel very thankful for they have come up nicely I have tried to raise house plants but winter we sometimes stay away to long and if they are not well protected you know how soon they'll freeze and all wither than it makes me feel so I dont know as I shall try this season they must have such good care and make a great deal of work.

you have them dont you they are nice

well I think I have written quite a letter I would be very happy to read as long a one from you.

with best wishes to all I will close

Your ever true friend

Sarah A. Gerbitz

My best wishes to Owen Griffeth he came to see me. tell him we are all well and I will write to him soon

There was a lady in the degurian room pulled Johny's sash around she wanted to fix him she said it looks bad it was blue & [illegible] white

North Preston July 1864
Friday Morning

My Dear Miss Ewart

It is with great pleasure that I seat myself this morning to answer your very kind and welcome letter which I received in due time I suppose that you have began to think that I have nearly forgotten you but when I tell you the reason I have not written you will think differently I have had that dreadful disease the *mumps* our folks think the country agrees with me Well another reason is because I am so interested in my school that I hardly think I have time to eat or do any thing else I should like to have been there to have heard the sermon you were speaking about it must have been very interesting We have a very interesting Sabbath School all except the singing that is not good I am in Sister Lizzies class our lesson is in the 2nd chapter of Acts You were saying that you had meetings for the soldiers we have them to at the village every Thursday About our house and its surroundings there is not much to tell there are hills

do come out and make us a good long visit

in front of us behind us and on
each side of us and we are on a hill
ourselves so we feel quite elevated
You cannot tell how pleased I was to
get your picture it looks so much
like you I have not had mine taken
so I cannot send it but will as soon
as possible I received a letter from
Rosellen on Tuesday night she wrote
that Mr Mc Erlee was dead how
dreadful I cant hardly realize it
Sister Lizzie sits by me while I
am writing to you and sends her
kindest regards to you and says she would
like to become better aquainted with you
The rest join with me in sending
love to you all Dont wait as long
as I have before you write

Good By
Ida

To Cynthia Everett

North Boston, June 23rd, /61

My Sympathetic Friend

Perhaps you will think that I have nearly or quite forgotten you but not so I will tell you the reason I have for not writing before I am attending school at the Porters. they have a very good teacher in the house and are so kind as to let me go there to school I am very busy with my studies I will name some with of my studies they are. Reading Spelling Arithmatic Grammer Geography Constitution of the United States Physiology Philosophy

Writing and [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] and
with half of the [illegible]
[illegible] and have to [illegible]
her hours a day. Now you
may have some faint [illegible]
of the remote idea how I have
to study so I know that
you will become my pu-
pil in time.

But that is all [illegible]. I had
to know what to write
that will interest you for
there is so little going on
up here however I think
it is best [illegible] to come
going to have a Sabbath
School Convention the 18th of
July I wish you might attend
I know you would enjoy
yourself it is to be held at
North Brookfield village then on
to the annual convention [illegible]

and they will have enough to
read [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible]
address is [illegible].

Rebecca [illegible] and family
were at the [illegible] [illegible] the
last [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] but [illegible]
the condition of you & your
family. As I [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ be
my little [illegible] [illegible]
see them [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] but I [illegible]
not [illegible] I will [illegible]
to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this
[illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] is the [illegible]
that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] by the name of
Estelle Wilson she is a very
fair young lady. I have not
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] comfort
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] pleased
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and my kindest regards
to all your [illegible]
[illegible] your sister & I must have
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

January 20th 1866

My Dear Correspondent

I have once more to ask pardon for not answering your very kind and welcome letter which I rec'd Christmas night — I wish you would always write such nice long ones. Two weeks ago tomorrow Sister Lizzie and her husband came home and Monday Mary went back with them and I have been "chief cook and bottle washer" since then. About a week ago we had a donation at one of the neighboring houses had a very

good time indeed got home ten
minutes past one If your
father ~~have~~ has a donation this
winter I mean to get there if
it is possible I wish you
would write me when it
will be and I will make
father bring me over we should
have come last year if we had
known it in time. Wednes
day Father Mother and I went
up in to the woods (we call it)
to make a visit the road
that we went I would like
to have you travel I think the
scenery is ~~[illegible]~~ beyond Trenton
Falls The road is just wide
enough for one team to pass
along and there are slatestone

rocks rising hundreds of feet high on one side while on the other the Arkansaw ~~flows~~ flows there are springs on the top of the rocks which gush out and form the most beautiful cataracts I ever saw Oh! the sight is sublime it will be the first place we will take you if we live here when you visit us, wouldnt you like to go? I dont think I shall be able to visit you this winter as school will begin next week and then I shall have my hands full but do not fail to visit us if it is possible we would so like to have you I spent the sum weeks preceding Christmas at. Sister Lizzie had a very pleasant time and I expected as much as could be on my return to find you here but no Miss Everette was to be found

Well Miss Everette it is just nine oclock and as I have some little work to do before retiring I will close hoping this will find you well as it leaves me at present. Give my love to all of your family including a large share for yourself

I remain ever your loving
little friend
Ida

Oh! I had nearly forgotten to ask you to write very soon dont wait so long as I have

Ida. H.

Pag. 1st

Cat [illegible] Feb 18th /66

My Dear [illegible]

I received your letter at the time that it was due and ought to have answered it before this I could [illegible] going [illegible] the [illegible] been [illegible] [illegible] I am sorry that I could not come to your [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] is holding [illegible]

[illegible]

up north from here
and he had to go so
over the same sights
of the elevation as it
as I am not quite a
young lady yet I could
not act a (heroine) in this
my
out here the mother went
there if I wished to. It
your [illegible] to [illegible]
all was there and if
you had a pleasure
Fine and all alone
I. I believe
all am very tired that

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1st is the orthography [illegible] is Geography Philosophy Physiology and Dictation perhaps you have never heard of the last it is really a study the teacher finds a piece and then reads it off. As we then we copy it she takes the slates and marks all the misspelled words and where we don't bring in the capitals put it right. I like it very much. At the end of the term she makes [illegible] 3d/11

may get on my Reading. I was not but a little has come to the place we like her very much I like the order that the lesson come in better than before. We have Arithmetic and Grammar first in the morning for we are most ahead there than any other study and then comes Natural History and Etymology that is all in the morning

and a report of the
studies are ordered to prepare
after every study [illegible]
perfect them. This report
is brought to the [illegible]
we are all hoping to
have the [illegible] [illegible]
but I do not know whether
we will have it or
not. I have also begun
to get through with [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Hall.
I have heard from
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and
says she is very happy
and I am very glad
of it for she deserves
to be happy, she is [illegible]
best children! May I [illegible]
my greatest afflictions
is [illegible] ever for-
-tunes I believe that [illegible]
[illegible] God I can't ex-
-press that at [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to be [illegible].
Brother and [illegible]
all [illegible] might with
the exception of [illegible]
[illegible] she is gr[illegible]

to stay all night there
Hattie and Fanny have
gone to Ann to spend
another, we are to have
a Missionary meeting
at the village I think
that I shall attend that
[illegible] Mother's health
is better now than I
have known it for
several years she is now
so that she walks around
quite a good deal and
we feel very much en-
couraged with her and
better. Sister Lizzie
and her husband were

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home about two weeks
so she was well and
very happy. it seems
that all of the brothers are
so happy I guess you'll
have to try it and
see if you can't be happy
for [illegible] but [illegible]
[illegible] coming to their
senses. ha ha

Well I [illegible] close
for I am very sleepy as it's after
[illegible] and [illegible] little
[illegible] to Lizzie [illegible]
night

So Good Bye
I am as ever your loving
Friend Lola Hart
Write [illegible]

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Mission Home, [illegible] 187

NAME,

Address,

Nearest Express Office,

Age, Occupation,

* * *

HISTORY	What length of time have you been ill?
	How did the disease begin?
	Have any of your family died of consumption, asthma, or heart disease?

PRESENT SYMPTOMS.	Have you any cough or hawking?
	What do you spit up?
	Have you ever spit blood?
	Have you any pain or soreness in the chest or sides?
	Have you any aching in the limbs?
	Have you chills or fever?
	Have you night sweats?
	Have you cold hands and feet?
	Is there any soreness of the throat?
	Is there any obstruction in the nose?
	Is there any discharge from the nose?
	Is there any dropping into the throat?
	Any pain above the root of the nose?
	Are you short of breath on exertion?
	Are there any attacks of short breathing?

STATE OF THE GENERAL HEALTH.	Are you losing flesh and strength?
	Is your appetite poor?
	Have you sourness or wind about the stomach?
	Are your bowels costive or loose?
	Is your sleep restless or disturbed by dreams?
	Is there any dizziness of the head or confusion of the mind?
	Have you any attacks of nervousness?
	Is there any palpitation of the heart?

No. ....

Name, ...

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OPINION.

REMEDIES.

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OFFICE OF **Robert Hunter, M. D.,**
LAKESIDE BUILDING,
NO. 216 CLARK STREET, CORNER OF ADAMS,

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 29. 1875.

Cynthia H. Everett.

Dear Madam

Your Postal Card of 26th inst. is this Morning received, and I send you Enclosed a list of questions to be Answered and returned to me.

I can then fully understand your case and can prescribe and send you by Express such remedies as are best adapted for you, — with an Inhaling Instrument — and Explicit written directions on all points. —

In this way there will be no difficulty in treating you through Correspondence

The

The accompanying Card will explain my usual Fees &c.

Sincerely Yours

S. H. Smith M.D

19 Dec
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[illegible]

June 23d [illegible]

Dear Friend [illegible].

Your letter [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] you intended [illegible]

[illegible] think [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Island Point [illegible]

Dear friend [illegible]

your [illegible]
received in due time & the sunflower seed
which are up out of the ground now growing
We have been house cleaning & [illegible]
been away most of the time since you
was here this is the excuse I make for
not answering your letter sooner
Mother has not quite well & could not [illegible]
then ~~[illegible]~~ was home yesterday she is well & likes
her place very much [illegible] I was there to
see her week ago last Saturday & we thought
she had a very good place
Brother [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
with his health is not very good [illegible]
troubled with the asthma [illegible] [illegible]

I suppose you are up to Turin [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] on your mind about the music but a letter
from Clinton removes it all when it comes
I must [illegible] quite often I expect I am sorry
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
in the afternoon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mills came
up here last night so we heard the news
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and when somebody waved their handkerchief
as the train passed in that light so our
[illegible] were waiting when I got home
[illegible] was here away so much so that
I haven't had an opportunity to practice any
on the machine yet
I have no news in particular to write you
over [illegible] down here I never saw since Alfred
he is well or I should of heard of it
there was Temperance meeting last Thursday
[illegible] at the Methodist Church but I could'nt
[illegible] so I [illegible] to him much [illegible] to have
Temperance Meeting they are [illegible] to have meetings in

about a month [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] expected
[illegible] walking at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
very [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] because [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Morning at [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
they have come to [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

please to write & let me know how you are
[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]
Dud

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & writing for [illegible]
[illegible] are many mistakes

Yours with love,
Mary [illegible]

my [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] & write address this to Rippon [illegible] you will act if [illegible]

Dear Cynthia

How are you feeling to-day? I am feeling much better now than I did when you was here. Do you like teaching in any [illegible] have you a large school? When did Mr. Jones & Clinton go west from your house or did he stay and accompany you up to Auburn? You see I am quite jealous. We are all well at present. Mother is looking quite natural. Please write soon. We all join in sending our best wishes to you & Eddie.

Your [illegible] friend

Ellen

Floyd [illegible] 1858

Dear Friend

We received your kind letter of [illegible] with great joy. Father walked home Wednesday evening he was quite smart that evening but since then he seems to feel rather tired

Mother is very glad that he came up with your Father and Mother when they did and indeed we all are. Mother wants me to tell you she is very thankful to your Father and Mother for their kindness to him on their journey. The week you and Eddie was down we were to a quilting at J. Roberts and at a paring bee at David Jones the paring bee was very large about twenty five in
number

We had quite a pleasant time
at both we have been to one
quilting since then the weather was
not very pleasant but we had
quite a pleasant time
Jane Jones is at home since the
first of this month feels like
resting she sends her best
respects to you double twisted
also Libbie Evans and Mrs. Reynolds
Miss Cole we have not seen
We havent got through spinning
but we will soon Jane Evans
stays at Utica learning
trade Mother saw her at
Mr. Rice the last time she
was there. We dont know
when we will be able to visit
you but we intend to as soon
as it will be a good sleighing
and Father some better you
will see a good load of us

Jane Jones wants me should
tell you how she has been
up twice rideing the Colt
she went down the last
time as far as her. Mothers the
Colt was real ugly it went
between the fence and a tree she
took hold of the tree as it
happened for best the Colt stoped
or else she thinks her arm
would have been broke
We are glad that your Folks
are pleased with the apples
that you procured at Floyd
Mary has finished a quilt and
we want to know when you
think of coming out to see us
when you come we want to
know and we will have
a quilting I really wish a
good load of you would come
down William has found you

Sister and Brother send their best respect also the boys do ~~please~~ write soon as convenient telling all the news and ~~fl~~

Excu
my pe
ribling

come down in the field among
the briers the glass is droped
out We are very glad that
your sister Jennie has ~~gone~~
gone to that Dr we hope
she will recover. Father dont
seem to have as much
faith in him as he did
he dont take much of his
medicine he thinks it makes him
weaker. Mary has got the toothache
very bad I have been a washing
this morning and spinning
this afternoon Mother she has been
weaving she intends to finish it
this week it is about 34 yards
finished We send our best
respects to your Father Mother and Brothers
and sisters and accept the same
your self it is quite late so
good night Your sincere friends
Jennett and Mary Jones

Direct your
letters as usual
in care of
William Hopkins
Give my love
to all and
keep a good
share your
self I am
as ever your
true friend
[illegible]

Floyd July 7, 186

Dear Cynthia

Thank you much for sending your last letter when you did it was the first letter that I hade receved since my dear Father s death you did write so sympathysing that I hade tryed and do still try to be willing to the Lords will although it is very hard to part with our friends but we all know tha this world is not our home but O how much we do miss him at Church his seat is vacant there and

at home and the public
prayrs dear Cynthia is not
held in the family O how
sitom it is to have us
read mornings and no
prayrs while we never were
so befor but O! I pray
that my dear Brothers will
not remain long as they
are at presant but all have
reasons to hope that dear
Father is perfectly happy
May I die the death of the
righteous and may my last
end be like his How I should
like to have you make us a
visit this sumer and have a
long talk with you but
I am affraid that you
cant come not until your

Liby Evans was sup [illegible] fo [illegible] her love to you also Jim
Jones [illegible] Isaac

School is closed I am glad that you are doing so well with your School Mary liked it very much onely she thought you ware rather to kinde How is your Sister Anna We are hoping to see som of your Sisters this sumer come and see us if you cant come O how lonesom I do feel how I do love to have friends com and see us that can sympathise with us —
Mr James's Family are deeply afflicted and Miss Cole she takes it very hard she has such a small circle to turn so that she cant express her feelings to every one she made us a visit since Mary returned she said she would like to see you very much and sends her love to you
We girls are going to a sewing society next Wednes We are to

Mary sends her love to you and sayes you may look for
a letter fr[illegible] a great [illegible]

meet at Mr Griffiths's house (Formely Mr Denison) for the purpose of making some Clothes for some Motherless Children they lost thire Mother last fall you probely have seen the acount in the Cenhadur Calab Davis's wife she ^died^ very suden and left three Children —

Anne Jones health is some better than it has been she thinkes if she takes care of herself that she will recover she has been very weak Solomon Davis is quite unwell they are affraid that he is Consumption you have seen him at Floyd Church Mothers health is quite good but she feels very lonely she sends her kind respects to you and all your folkes. The Boys have commensed ~~with~~ haying but they are quet discourage — But we are all enjoying good health at presant O how we aught to praise God for his kind mercys towards us. now I will close hoping you will not take the same course as I have taken with the last two letters but that you will answer my poor letter and excuse all mistakes

Floyd May 7th 1870

Dear friend Cynthia

Many times have I thought of writing to you since you first wrote to Rev J R Griffethes and me hearing your letter read I was promising myself that time that as soon as I found it convenient my first letter would be to you but have delayed untill now you are well aware that writing is rather a difficult

Mother and myself join in sending our warmest
love and best wishes to you your affectionate
friend Jennie

thing for me but I
will do the best I can
I look in the Conhadour
the first thing if there is
a ~~letter~~ from you there is
a short one from your Fathe
in the last one stating wha
you are and how large a
class you have and where
you are boarding it must be
pleasant for you to be in
that family

How I would like to
write something that wou
be encourageing and interestin
to you when far away fro
home and friends what a
great sacrifice it was
for you to go but one
great consolation is that
you are to work in a good
cause and is sure to succeed

I have not seen any of
your folkes since you left
but would like to see some
of them very much Jennie
C Jones was home few weeks
a go and we were talking
about you and the rest of
you trying to form an
idea about the folkes and
things down there and wishing we could go and
se you she did not stay
at home onley two weeks she
had not been home staying
since last fall the Rev
T. J. Evans and family have
left Floyd and gone to H. Patent
to live they have bought a
small place near the village
Libbie is staying at home we
miss them very much
Our ministeer is still with

and I for one would like to see you very much
if you think this poor letter worth answering
pleas do so if you find it convenient

us and I hope he will not leave us for I think he is a good man and he has a nice woman we are a going to repair our Church this spring. the late Rev E. W. Jones New York Mills's Widow and Children are living in Floyd now her father is a widower and has a house of his own so it makes it pleasant for both to be together since they have been deprived of of their companions Uncle Elias and Aunt are well but is feeling very bad since he heard the news of Cousin William's death Mother's health is better than it was last fall Brother John and Elias are well and wishes to be remembered to you most kindly my health is not good this spring I am not able to do but very little I have been declining since Febuary but I think that I am some better now.

Dennett

I read in the Banner that they are expecting you home next month I hope it will be our Heavenly Father will for you to return home to visit your dear friends once more

Attica Jan. 22. 1867

Dear Cousin Cynthia

I was very glad to get your letter but I have been very long answering it I am afraid you are beginning to th I don't care much about your writing to me but I do, only someway, I have been so busy at school that I haven't had time, & in vacation I was busy finishing a frame for Uncle Henry. Uncle Alexander is a good deal better than he has been, he can walk across the room with just his cane, and he can stand without either cane or crutches. Mama gave me a work basket for Christmas and Papa gave me a box of pencils, [illegible]

the first one to day, I had a box two years ago but I have used them all up now.
Fannie goes to school now over to the Blan
street school, she likes it very much, she is in the "first reader," she is studying now out loud, she always does when she brings her books home. Our division gave up Geography yesterday and took up Science instead, I like it very much it is real easy I just have to read it over and I know my lesson. Mama says she wishes I could go to school to you a few weeks, and perhaps I would understand Grammar better. Uncle Alexander gave me a real nice book, it is "Outpost" by the Author of "Dora Darling or the daughter of the regiment" and he gave Fannie another his was The Snow Image". One of Aunt Hattie's scholars made her a present of a real nice work-basket it is almost like mine. Fannie is dressing her dolls so as to have them all right when Maggie

comes. Do you know whether Frankie takes "The Young Folks" this year? I do and I think it commences better than it did last year. Carrie takes another kind it is one that has just been published this year, after I have read mine I let her take it and she lets me take hers. Louisa Miller has gone to boarding school. Emma is teaching at the same place and Fannie is married so it makes it quite lonesome over there. Mrs. and the baby were home a few days ago, the baby is just as pretty and cunning as it can be. Mamma & Fannie send their love and me the same

From your
Cousin Ella Lewis

Utica March 5 1867

Dear Cousin Cynthia

I meant to have answered your letter before but kept putting it off. I have got a very bad cold now, and either the mumps or sore throat. It is storming very hard today so I wore Mama's water-proff cloak to school this afternoon; it was so stormy that Miſs Newland didnt come to give us our drawing lesson, so we shall dismiſs half an hour earlier, which will be at four Oclock instead of half past. I am going to get some bristles tonight after school, to make an "air castle" I have made one and am going to make another. Our Sunday school class met, Saturday before last, at Mrs. Wymans to piece a quilt to send to the "Home Mis out west, we finished it all except two strips. Ella Heffron and I went to the "mite society" at Mr. Osgoods, this week Monday I would have to come home alone so Ella Heffron slept with me. Fannie is in the Second reader now, and she gets so nervous for fear she will miss that she is almost sick, last night she slept with Mama and Mama says that she was talking away, that she couldnt get the syllable right. I should have liked to have been out there with my skates when it was so

Tuesday March 12

icy, for I am very fond of skating
but there has not been more
than five or six good days of
skating this winter, and on one of
those it was so cold that I didnt
enjoy myself very much.
I froze my feet one day this
winter and they havent got
well yet although they are
almost. Uncle Aleck is a great
deal better than he has been,
He and Aunt Sarah went out
to Cassville Saturday, and I dont
know whether they have
returned or not. We have about
170 schollars in our every day
school and over 200 in Sunday
school, but they do not all come
every day, or Sunday. Mama
sends her love and Fannie too.
Please give my love to Grandma
Grandpa and the Aunties and
Cousins

From your niece Ella Lewis Over

P.S. Mamma wants to know if some of you cant come down before the "Art Gallery closes, and she would like to have you bring Maggie with you too.

M. E. L.

Utica Jan 20th 1862.

Dear Cousins

I suppose you think it very strange it should take me all this time to get a hood pattern and send it a few miles, but I have had the

Evening. The children are both in bed now, I commenced writing this afternoon and Fannie had so many wants & troubled Ella so much (Ella is home with a cold in her head) that I was obliged to [illegible] [illegible] take Fannie out, to let Ella rest, Emily came home to day it will be two weeks tomorrow since she went to Trenton, I have had housework enough for the present, but am very well and feeling first rate

I am sorry I did not send the pattern
sooner, but "have been so busy" is all ~~my~~
the excuse I have, Miss Evans sent some
leaves for you, they looked worse than
the others, I took the liberty of ~~sending~~
returning them, told her sister I did
not think you would like them, have
not seen her since, will make it all
right when I see you, If you cut your hood
by this Pattern, perhaps you had better take
old cloth and fit that, so as to be sure
of the proportions, (I quilted, or stitched)
Jennie's two weeks ago, that is all, have
done, neither (going over Street Walkin since,
have been fully Employed in providing food
or clearing away after it, The Mechanics
Fair is open now I hope some of you will
take pity on me and present yourselves
before long the first of the month if not sooner I have been a fixture in the

house so long, (two long weeks) I should hardly dare venture there alone, I shall expect you & you must not disappoint me, How are you all after the Jaunting? Give my love to Aunt & Uncle and all the Cousins, tell Aunt & Uncle to try and make me a visit sometime when Father is home, & he will send for him. If we will have a real good time, good night much love from Your Cousin

Mary A. Lewis

My name in full

Utica.
43 Bleecker St

Utica

July 28/86.

Dear Cousin

Your kind letter was recived last week Monday, I should have answered directly but thought I would see Sarah first to know sure when she could go, her Mother was taken very sick last Wednesday, Sarah and [illegible] went out there Thursday and returned yesterday, Mrs Child is much better, If nothin occurs more than we know of at present Sarah and I will take the Afternoon train on

Wednesday (tomorrow) and will
stay until Friday that is as long
as we can be from home, but will
be better than no visit, hope
we shall be able to make a longer
one next time, I hope the
children can go out there next
week but do not know. We are all
usually well, Much love to all
from your aff Cousin

Mary R Lewis

Ollie will be at Dansville
tomorrow

[illegible] 3rd [illegible]

[illegible] know it
[illegible] that too. I'm
[illegible] write nicely [illegible]
[illegible] before you
[illegible] your in-
[illegible] home, after [illegible]
[illegible] be busy isn't
[illegible]
[illegible] write to my [illegible]
[illegible] write [illegible] I did
[illegible] must have not got it yet
[illegible] your home
[illegible] his letter there
[illegible] forwarded to you if you
[illegible] given up to

an apology. Really you [illegible]
Now I'm going to [illegible]
about myself [illegible]
I left Charleston [illegible]
had a long [illegible]
not sit up [illegible]
two. How I [illegible]
home could not [illegible]
was not [illegible]
desolation that [illegible]
after another [illegible]
bly reminded it [illegible]
one I should [illegible]
and then I [illegible]
gone it [illegible]
this would [illegible]
Now, [illegible]
of him calmly [illegible]
that would [illegible]
ever never I [illegible]
summer in [illegible]

[illegible] lines. There are two
[illegible] Sen-
[illegible] department, the other
[illegible] Wheeler from Maine
[illegible] cherubs
[illegible] height of their
[illegible]

[illegible] There is a
[illegible] as it winds
[illegible] hills which rise
[illegible] in the distance are som-
[illegible] clothed now in the
[illegible] of summer. The mead
[illegible] will the river
[illegible] silences.
[illegible] miserable di-
[illegible] you havn't much
[illegible] very pleasant ac-
[illegible] introduce you to
[illegible] Mr. Wheeler (or
[illegible] the teacher in

[illegible] month seem
[illegible] me I'm glad
[illegible] really I think I
[illegible] enough good here
[illegible] I think its
[illegible] where I can
[illegible] look as I write and
[illegible] reminds me
[illegible] time and also
[illegible] little heart which
[illegible] about the free
[illegible] anything but clean.
[illegible] as I look in the
[illegible] what the future
[illegible] some may be
[illegible] the right
[illegible] and for perhaps
[illegible] trust and honor
[illegible] placed along
[illegible] little circle. but
[illegible] God's great plan
[illegible] died for them
[illegible] not one may be
[illegible] the day when he makes

up his [illegible]
now I wonder! [illegible]
Now Eric if you
answer it im-
you? and tell your-
self. your [illegible] [illegible]
give much love to [illegible]
please. [illegible]
and tell me [illegible]
place is [illegible]
ner, or does Mr. [illegible]
appreciate me [illegible]
it is rather [illegible]
tell me all [illegible]
know anything about [illegible]
heard from them
two letters [illegible]
Now Eric, please [illegible]
as you receive this [illegible]
With much love
[illegible]

Harlan says tell him he ought to be thankful he isn't a school ma'am this [illegible] are you

the other room. he is about [illegible]
brown hair, blue eyes, his [illegible]
and one of the pleasantest [illegible]
his face is I think an [illegible]
he is very pleasant, [illegible]
good looking with [illegible]
mean and [illegible]
room. Next, his [illegible]
student in the [illegible]
Middletown and [illegible]
from ~~Middletown~~ [illegible]
good as he is [illegible]
school marm [illegible]
seated [illegible]
give: [illegible]
married couple [illegible]
the minister [illegible]
would [illegible]
I go a great deal [illegible]
you know. croquet [illegible]
sions, walks, rides &c. [illegible]
out of school com[illegible]
life this [illegible]
months I spent at [illegible]

[illegible] I prize the gifts for
[illegible] but more for the associa-
[illegible] with them. Both of the
[illegible] are pleasant acquaintances and
[illegible] which Heston has given me will
be a pleasant reminder of agony
[illegible] times. Write soon (please
[illegible] to hear from you. I shall
[illegible] given me up. and I
[illegible] that, write much
[illegible]

This morning Mr. [illegible] came [illegible]
room before school and [illegible]
package said "Will you accept [illegible]
Jennie?" (He [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
me Jennie) a penny [illegible] [illegible]
ful copy of J. [illegible] [illegible]
bound in green morocco with gilt
edged leaves. On the fly leaf [illegible]
S. Jennie Martin [illegible]
Harlow. A little after [illegible]
some beautiful water lilies.

Whitesboro Sept 20th/64

Miss Everett

Dear Madam

Your letter came to me today asking for information as to where to obtain material for your society and where to forward articles made up. Our Society reorganized last spring and I wrote to the "Woman Central Relief Association" No 10 Cooper Union, Third avenue N.Y. to ascertain what articles were most needed - we expected to purchase our material in Utica - In reply they said they would furnish us material as they had ample supplies on hand. We purchased $70 worth of cloth and cotton in Utica and made it up - This we forwarded to the W. C. R. A. and requested them to send us material, which they did. This we made up, returned to them and asked for more.

They sent us two pieces more to be made into drawers, but thought in future we had better make a little effort and try to raise some money and for every $10 we would send to them they would forward us $20 worth of material larger sums in the same proportion. We sent them $30 in money and received nearly $70 worth of flannel and cotton cloth with directions for making it up into shirts and drawers -- This we have nearly made up and shall send the box this week also more money to purchase material. They do this to encourage our little county societies and thereby enable us to accomplish a good deal with limited means

It is necessary that all articles made from their material should be returned to them that they may know what becomes of it.

We think it so direct a way of relieving the suffering soldiers as any — We always send hdk's, bandages and such articles in every box — The box we forward this week is our fifth and we also have a box ~~nearly~~ ready to ~~send~~ of wines dried fruit, cologne &c nearly ready to send to the Christian Com — also some money — This is the first we have done for the C. C. the other having been for the Sanitary Com

Our Address for the San-Com is Miss Mary E. Curtis. No 10 Cooper Union, Third Avenue N. Y. and that of the Christian Com Geo. H. Stuart Chairman U.S. Christian Comm.
No 11 Bank St. Philadelphia. Pa.

Any further information will be cheerfully given.

Yours Very Truly
Miss M. E. McMorris
Sec'ty Sol. Aid. So.
Whitesboro Oneida Co
N. Y.

P.S. Money to be sent to the Chris Com should be sent to Williams Cashier of Oneida Bank Utica as he is Treasurer of the Com —.

I think no material can be attained of them as we get it here N. Y.

M. E. McM.

No express charges when sent to the Ch. Com — large packages must be sent by freight —

11 West 53rd St. N.Y.C.

April 28 — 1871
(Friday)

Dear Cynthia

I received your kind note on Wednesday, and same day wrote an answer but neglected to post it and to day I write another.
The people of whom we rent our rooms, have concluded to let us have them as they. Brother does not [illegible] so we have concluded to remain here until after [illegible] week.

therefore when you either or both have time to come up or see us. As there will be "no moving in May". With much love to both
Yours Sincerely

Dayton May 30th 1871

Dear Friend

I received your
note today with pleasure am
glad you are coming to see
we have an extra bed for our
friends and will be glad to
have you stay whatever time will
be convenient for you only let
me know when you can come
and I will meet you at depot
I will now tell you how to
get here you will leave N. Y.
by N J rail road foot of Courtland
St with Philadelphia train at 7 A M

9½ A M 4 P m for [illegible] mouth Junction and there change Cars for Dayton it will take you two hours to come

Jane was here two weeks ago and will be glad to see I know her Address is 458 Ferry St Newark N J

I will close now hoping to see you soon then I can talk and that is much easier than writing for me Give my love to Mary and tell her to come and see me Accept much love

from your freind

Lizzie Miller

Rome July 17 '88,

Dear Friend!

The letter with which you were so kind as to favor me, was a source of great profit to me, thou I confess to some surprise that from an epistle so rambling and inco as mine you could glean so particular a knowledge of my wants.

I have long felt the need of a more implicit confidence in the renewing and sustaining grace of God.

Naturally skeptical, I am frequently tempted to unbelief in other and less serious matters, in almost everything indeed. and find it essential to my peace of mind to be assured often of my real status.

This failing I hope to be able to overcome in process of time by divine aid, when I shall be far happier and more even in my temperament.

I am confident that I am growing. Every day adds its lesson to my little store of knowledge, bringing me nearer and still nearer to the stature of the perfect man.

This idea of growth is one of great comfort to me. I love to think that through the years of this life not only, but on through the years of an ever brightening eternity we shall continue to grow in knowledge, of God and his wonderful works.

Heaven it seems to me would be a place of misery rather than happiness, were its inhabitants always to tune their harps to the same unvarying song; and as it is a mercy to us that our sins are not revealed to us all at once, so we are not overwhelmed by the instant revelation of the glory of the Saviour.

I want to improve the present that I may be far advanced in the wisdom ere I present myself at the pearly gates.

Perhaps this is not exactly orthodox but it fills me with aspiration after the better and higher life. and whatever begets good emotions in me I think I can safely trust;

When I was at home not long a[illegible] I learned that you were visi[illegible] at home, I was sorry that I could not see you, and have a long talk. for I have so little time to write that I consider it almost an [illegible] to ask anyone to correspond with me. I once thought that I would ask nothing better than such a situation as I have now. I laid plans for a deal of rea[illegible] and an extensive correspondence, bu[illegible] I find that I relished such things more when I was in some degree deprived of them than I do now w[illegible] they are within easy reach.

The taste for books has left me with the coming of opportunity for reading. and I write so much that my pen wearies me;

What queer people, folks are!

What we have we don't want; and what we have not we covet.

By the term we I do not include yourself, of course.

An illustration perhaps would not be inappropriate here,

When it was [illegible] we sighed for the warm balmy breezes of Summer and now that summer has come, oh for a breath of cool refreshing winter to dispel the burdensome, unendurable breezes aforesaid.

Even now I have a sensation of dissolution through the agency of the omnipresent Caloric.

Excuse brevity.

Yours truly,
Foster [illegible]

Rome May 24th 188

Dear. Friend:

I am just the least bit lonely to-day and I consider this fact a justifiable reason for troubling you with the story of my griefs and hopes and fears. I *must* have some one to talk or write to, and to whom should I turn sooner than to one who has in a greater degree than any other been instrumental in leading me to the higher and better life? I have often longed to tell you how much you did for my soul's salvation during the summer that I was under your tuition. That has always seemed to me to have been the turning point of my life, the real beginning of my conversion. Had I at that stage of my life been surrounded by stern and unfavorable circumstances, I do not doubt that I should have been driven to desperation and in my madness have dashed aside the the most momentous opportunity of my life. I look with horror on the dread possibility to which I was subject. I seem to have been rescued from the depths of sin and despair, saved from the unpardonable offence against the Holy Ghost.

But I was not lost! thank God! The pure spirit of our holy religion was breathed upon me, I felt the restraining influence of practical piety, and though not till long after did I give myself over entirely I never after, till in Jesus, found peace to my soul. The love of God which induces the love of man, found in me a subject for its overflowing tenderness, and opened my eyes to behold a beauty which I never before conceived to be possible to fallen human nature in its best estate.

Many a time did I go home from school feeling ashamed of myself that I was so wicked, so full of devices to grieve one whom I so sincerely respected. The severest punishment could not have produced such heartfelt repentance, while the least sign of disgust or of anger would have confirmed me in my course. I look into the recesses of my heart now and mourn over the dark stains that are evidence of the former indwelling of the man of sin. I struggle with myself and by the help of God's grace get the victory, but I find that the battle must be fought daily and hourly. Satan is not discouraged easily; once repulsed he renews his attacks with redoubled fury, I mourn my fallen nature, and long to be glorified with Christ in the holy Jerusalem, saved from the last of foes.

this letter is a picture, already, of my life as it is. I rejoice in opportunity for doing good, and anon disappointed by some hitherto unseen phase of human nature I desire to depart and be with Christ which is far better. feeling that to die would be my eternal gain.

Life is a serious matter with me. I do not live an hour without noticing some new thing, learning an additional lesson. A word, a motion, will often make an impression upon a sensitive nature, as lasting as a life long acquaintance upon another. Above all other lessons in importance are those which I learn from reflection upon the impulses of my own heart. I need not tell you how ashamed I am at the revelations which are made to me alone with God. I am so much worse than I seem to be. My friends give me credit for being very much better than I really am.

But then, I am trying every day to better myself. and I think that I am coming to hate sin with something like a perfect hatred.

In my struggles I have the sympathy which arises from a common lot and destiny, in the hearts of Christians. The experiences of others and their triumphant results give me courage. I am resolved to "press on". I will by the grace of God reach the haven of our desires.

Now I know that you will not be offended at my frankness, but will rather encourage me by your counsels and pray for me. I have faith in the prayers of friends. I know that the earnest effectual prayer of the righteous availeth much. I have seen the fruit of continued supplication, and God forbid that I should doubt what he has so plainly revealed to me!

Write to me if you can consistently. I will not try to conceal from you

I thus write, not to gain your sympathy, but to encourage you, if you need encouragement, in your labors for those who are out of Christ. Do not falter. One has been saved; and who but God, knows but that many will be the stars in your crown of rejoicing when the Lord shall come to make up his jewels.

How blessed is the labor of love in which the Christian is engaged Who can express the joy we feel in the consciousness of having done something for the redemption of a lost soul, or for the strengthening of the weak.

O. I believe I love the work in the Redeemer's vineyard better than the pleasures of sin! There comes no regret with the Christians joy, but peace unspeakable, and full of comfort, when all the outer world is discordant and dark.

Is it sinful to long with unutterable desire for the time when this ecstatic joy shall be the eternal reward of the children of God?

Is it sinful to strive to catch, afar off, the chilling roar of the tide of death and wish oneself over and at rest?

Is it sinful to long for companionship with the pure and blessed, turning in disappointment from the thousand evidences of corruption which daily occur to us in our intercourse with mortals.

Is it sinful to long to sever the thralls of the flesh and soar away from sickness sorrow and pain to the plains of everlasting joy and perfected immortality?

I fear that I have been disappointed and have often prayed to die.

I have looked beyond my work.

my weakness, hoping that I may by some means be enabled to receive strength.

Looking backward I am surprised at the wonderful change wrought in me, and I glorify the author of my salvation. Looking forward I see height upon height of Christian experience rising, - still rising, - till hidden by the veil that hides the splendors of heaven from mortal eyes. and I have a faith, that at the last stage of our earthly ascent; we shall be be divested of all encumbrances, and be enabled to mount up the heights of glory rejoicing more and more, as we draw nearer and nearer to the glorious presence of our Father.

"O what a glorious hope is ours"
"While here on earth we stay"
"We more than taste the heavenly powers"
"And antedate that day"

Forgive me if I weary you

Yours truly H. G. Mitchell

Care Spencer White - Neo

Pulaski Tenn Jan 17th/65

Ladies' Sn Aid Society

I am a fortunate Soldier. Though sickly upon entering the service; my health has triumphed over stronger constitutions, by never having had to be within a hospital—not evin regimental. Through all dangers I have escaped unharmed—in some of which I was the only one.

Once again I am fortunate, in being one amongst several comrades who have received "comfort bags"! but, evin to those few who with me received these tokens of regard, I am open to envy, on account of the superior beauty, durability, and assortment, of the ones in my possession.

It reminds me of ^home with its comforts and conveniences, and its hearts of love.

Within your present, was a tract, entitled "The great Comforter, in which was a comforting note; both of which appealed directly to my heart.

The sympathy expressed in the note for the "soldier who is denied the privilege of returning home with his discharged comrades", affected me as would the kind words of a friend; for bitter feelings were then raging in my heart.

Three companies of our Reg. which were neither enlisted sooner, nor did duty from an earlier date than ourselves

were "mustered out" over a month
ago.
Because they were "mustered in"
sooner than we, we were cheated
of the honor of returning with
our Colors and band.
What made it additionally
provoking, was, that our governor
published a circular, stating that
we were all to be mustered out
as an organization, we having
been organized 22nd Aug. 1862.

You have frequently heard how
the attention of ladies at home,
has strengthened the weak,
encouraged the disheartened,
and made "braves" of those who
are naturally timid.
I can testify; that when the
question "shall I by using violence,
disgrace myself," presented itself

to me with food; your thoughtfulness decided the question in favor of Right.

Your Debter

David J. Morrison

Co. L. 5th Ind Cav

BRANCH OFFICE,
National Freedman's Savings and Trust Co.,
No. 14 Main Street.

Norfolk, Va., March 10 1870,

Miss E. H. Everett
Dear Madam:

I have forwarded three letters to your address Remsen N. Y. which you gave me. Norfolk still exists. Our School Comrs. are trying to get school houses for the accommodation of the children.

I am a little uncertain of their ultimate success in the matter of School management.

I hope you are "safe, safe at home", & enjoying the familiar faces & words of dear Home friends. We watched you as long as time would permit, & as we turned away said; too bad - too bad - (&, worse than all), sent home on such a miserable pretext as this.

I am content when I think, of a just God, who will meet out to the children of men their deserts, for all the iniquities of this life.

Yours, In grateful remembrance,
H. L. Connelius
Lock Box 52.

[illegible]

My Dear Cynthia

Nearly [illegible] months have [illegible] since your last communication [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I would [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by your side [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I have not heard from my dear old friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] of her funny phrases and
[illegible] to be convinced [illegible]. Miss [illegible]
[illegible] not improved much — and seemed
[illegible]. [illegible] I have never heard from since
[illegible] the most of [illegible] have written me but
[illegible] heard from me. I have
[illegible] remain unanswered — until [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] in addition of last winter — it was a trying
[illegible] and always affects me badly. I have had a great deal
[illegible] and have got done with it first rate. I was
[illegible] with a large set of buildings and boarders
[illegible] boarders the most of the time
[illegible] in the smallest it has been since I returned home
[illegible] been washer-woman — cook - chamber
maid [illegible] you may easily suppose that I have had
[illegible]. My health is not perfect and perhaps never
will be. I have to do a little something in the way of doctoring
[illegible] a morning - but I am not troubled with
[illegible] stomach [illegible] used to be. I often think of
[illegible] dear friends that I found in Saratoga — and the cries and

mighty joys and sorrows that was mingled together — and [illegible] misfortune caused much sympathy. I have not heard [illegible] anything direct from Saratoga since I left there, Mrs [illegible] [illegible] a few lines about a year ago — stating that [illegible] [illegible] as an explanation [illegible] about her insurance as suspicion rested upon her own self being the incendiary — and I have not heard anything since — but I do want to learn the particulars — and what has become of [illegible] & his wife Hellen and all the rest of the family — if you know [illegible] me. And about Miss Stevens & Mrs Sherwood — And if you have heard from Mrs Green she has not answered my letter and I [illegible] think any one knows anything about her. The papers stated last summer that Saratoga was Saratoga — with its company [illegible] [illegible] frequently visited there had gone to Europe [illegible] [illegible] in search of amusement — do tell! what they can do with [illegible] the halls if the pleasure-seekers finds more desirable [illegible]

Mrs Amos Nevins health is very poor — she went [illegible] last Aug and they left her much feebler than before. I never saw her look so badly as she has since — and as the winter season is her best season for health I have good reason to fear the [illegible] of the following summer. Emma is well and goes [illegible] goes to school this winter — has got a new pair of [illegible]

and ride she is Southern day till noon – she [illegible] as much
of [illegible] [illegible] as ever – she [illegible] be thrown over the carriage
[illegible] [illegible] Cynthia! poor Cynthia, why don't you speak
Cynthia! [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] my love to Mary [illegible] and
Cynthia and tell them that our health is [illegible] good [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] when [illegible] and [illegible] in [illegible]
that I [illegible] my allowance, and keep my [illegible], and [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] without [illegible] fatigue, and [illegible] nothing
[illegible] [illegible] a man [illegible]. When you write [illegible] ask Robert and Mary
[illegible] Grandmother – [illegible] [illegible] by the way of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] Cynthia I [illegible] that you should
[illegible] as soon as convenient and tell me all [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] – and [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] John and the [illegible] is in Kansas – and how
[illegible] they have suffered in this political [illegible] – as John
[illegible] [illegible] – [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] something
[illegible] I should like to [illegible] particulars as we have a few
Buchanan [illegible], [illegible] their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] any blood
shed in Kansas. Remember my love to [illegible] [illegible] James
[illegible] [illegible] Jennie [illegible] and [illegible] Robert [illegible] [illegible])
and I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in some [illegible] nook of
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at some future time and enjoy the [illegible] over again
A [illegible] [illegible] of Mary or Sarah's or [illegible] would be gratefully received
[illegible] with many good wishes and [illegible] your friend [illegible] Stevens

Beach Institute
Savannah June 17th 1870

Dear Miss Everett -

I was very glad to get a prompt reply to my letter - I am always sure, when I hear soon from my communications, that the pleasure of the correspondence is a mutual one and that adds to the zest of it, do you not think so?

I am very much obliged to Mrs. Warren for her invitation I shall indeed be glad to accept it, if consistent. - My visit was so

so I will only bid you good night - Love to all the family,
Your Friend
Lizzie Parsons
Box 483

full of enjoyment, that I live it
over nearly daily. The ladies were
all so kind. How much Mrs.
Ford did to make me enjoy my-
self. I hope sometime, to have
the opportunity of reciprocating.
How are Horatio, and Jennie?
Did you go to Sullivan's Island,
the day I left? I envy you your
proximity to that beach.

In reference to recommending Mrs. Claussen as a suitable person to teach the prisoners,
I would not. She will receive
the salary, and do no teaching;
Her influence would be far from
good, I think. Still I wish
some one could do something
for them. Ever since I have been

in Richmond, my attention has been attracted to the children of degradation and crime, and I long beyond measure to see speedily a place of reform, rather than punishment, where all who are convicted of vice, can be sent, and instructed.

You are undoubtedly planning going home, soon. You must be ready for the rest, I think. Can you not come here first, and take the steamer from here? I will be very glad to see you, and will do all I can to, make your visit enjoyable.

Do you hear from

Miss Rowland? I wrote her two weeks since, but have received no reply.

I hope you will write me soon, and often, this summer - after my school closes I shall be lonely and will need all the words of cheer I can get.

We have a deal of rain lately; every evening bringing heavy showers - these keep the air so far, quite cool.

My school continues quite large - keeping me busy all the time.

It is time to retire

[illegible]

[illegible] have been [illegible]

[illegible] want [illegible]

[illegible] by the [illegible]

[illegible] been by the Bars [illegible]

[illegible]

To your birthday
[illegible] happy [illegible]

[illegible] Nov 18 [illegible]

My Dear [illegible]

[illegible] I am just going to write a few words to you on [illegible] card as [illegible] would like [illegible] to have an excuse to come to your house [illegible] so I'll [illegible] pity [illegible] aunt & kindly [illegible] take it to the [illegible] to carry it. [illegible] the baby and all of you kiss the [illegible] for me [illegible] remember, and I'll send him some gum which I am going to buy that I think he will appreciate, the best if David doesn't monopolize it

love to Mamie. Tell her please, that I'll
try to stay away untill I can behave so
as not to [illegible] his sake, as I am afraid I
did "once upon a time."

Mr. Derrick has given School after we
left here, how I wished that they had stayed
with us more. I should have to cease

as I must give you my love to
to your Father and Mother, Sarah, Jennie,
Mary, Anna, Hattie & Babby, Oh yes
and to your Brother Louis & family.
you see that I remember you one &
all, accept "oh so much" yourself
and a good hug, come and see us
write you. Excuse all, I only wanted
to let you know that I remembered
you, may you be kept from all
harm is the wish of your loving

Hannah Bruel

P.S. Father & Mother [illegible]

Little Falls Feb 24

Dear Cynthia

I received your kind letter last Saturday and was pleased to hear from you you cant think how home sick I am here I am not acquainted with any one here you wanted to know if there was Sunday Schools here there is but I am sorry to say that I have no time to go there I have not been to meeting but once since I have been here I would like to see you very much and have a little chit chat with you

Mrs Morris has no birds or plants my Uncle is a going to move in three or four months they havent made up their mind where they will go yet he will be obliged to give up the church the first of March there is another minister a coming here so I will be home soon I hope I feel very lonesome here Sundays it makes me think of home

that was very sad news about Thomas Owens I was surprised when I heard it

Mary Mannel sent me her likeness since I have been here you wanted to know her address here it is

Pecatonica Winnebago Co Illinois

I have not much news at present to tell you but this short letter is better than nothing
Please give my love to all the family and except a good share for yourself

From your best friend
Maria

Please write soon

Little Falls April

Dearest Cynthia

I received your letter some time ago now and I havent had time to answer it any sooner you wanted to know what kind of weather we have here it is very pleasant here now it has been a raining for a day or two we have had thunder storms here the snow is all of here I am very lone some yet I cant make it as my home here but I hope that I have a friend here with me and is with me wherever I go I would like to see you very much I cant tell how soon I shall be home but I am in hopes that it wont be a great while my Uncle has gone West this three weeks now and he dont know how soon he will be home he has bought land there and commenced to build by this time I guess he has gone to Indiana it is very lonesome here without him; I have been to the Baptist once and to the Presbyterian twice he had a very large congregation when he was there from three to four hundred but now there isent 40 that goes there now I dont think the people feel very bad after My Uncle there was one woman that said that if he would stay here that she would give him 100 dollars a year to him *

Mrs Morris said that they thought more of him than any minister they ever had he has been here ten years now

there is a pair of rabbits here they are so tame they will eat out of my hand

the next time you write I would like to have you tell me how they got along with the concert and how Anna got along there are all of your family well give my love to all your sisters and father & mother and except a good share your self

these few from your
friend Maria E
Pugh

Please write soon

Ithaca Aug. 4th 1873

My Dear Cousin

Your letter so kindly written came safely to hand, for which please accept my thanks. I have had and do still have a strong desire to become acquainted with my cousins, and hope soon to make you a short visit. Since I wrote my dear father has been quite prostrated by the heat. My sister Louisa (Mrs. Storms) was also taken sick quite suddenly with Cholera Morbus but she is now able to sit up although very weak. Mother is also improving slowly. I would like very much to start for Rome or New York Mills next Wednesday or Thursday. but cannot speak

positively as I do not know
how my Mother & Sister
may be. Will write again that
day you may expect me. I am very
glad to hear that Cousin E-
expects to be with you the last of
this month. am almost tempted
to defer my visit so that I may
meet with her. I wrote to aunt
Hughes the same time I wrote to
you, as I wish to see you all if
you are not too far apart.
Aunt Hughes and Cousin Jane
sent me a very kind invitation
to visit them. So I think that
if I am not able to come next
week. I had best visit them
first on account of Cousin E's
family being with you. and I
hope you are not so far apart
but that I can come & see
Cousin E. while she is with you

I was very sorry to read
that your Mother had
broken her arm. and now
Dear Cousin. I hope you will not
make my coming to visit you any
trouble! Please do not give your
selves any extra trouble. Let me
come to you just as you are..
I want to see you every one and
the least trouble you take on my
account, will add to my pleasure
again I thank you kindly for
your warm response to the letter
which I wrote. You dont know
how I long to see Uncle R.
and Aunt. E. I wonder if I
can see my fathers looks in either
of them! I fancy I will in
Aunt Kingsley. Mother sends her
very kind love to Aunt Elizabeth
and Uncle R, and all the rest
of you. accept of much love from

your aff. cousin

M. Rankin

Gouverneur July 2 1870

My Dear Cynthia

I am at a loss to know how to account for your long silence, Wrote to you while in Savannah and sent you a semblance of myself. Inquired for you at the Burnet and was told you were still in C. Have been waiting for you to get home before writing to you again have just been informed by a gentleman from Utica that you were now there. Said Mr C. met you "at" the Depot. I told him I was going to laugh at you but he seemed to think it was not worth while as he was a bachelor. Now my dear you must not think that I am at all curious about your affairs, but I am not going to have you marry a _Crusty old bachelor_, and if you have any "intentions" in that direction banish them at once but I "reckon" you do not care for any more of my nonsense at present and I will now proceed to tell you some particulars about self. The few months I spent in B. were very pleasant ones, but my heart turned lovingly to dear Norfolk and I wished so much that I could be there on the Sabbath and gather the dear girls around me for instruction as I had done for so long, have been intending to write to them for some time – was so tired when I reached home that it took me several weeks to rest, but I feel well now

and do not intend to neglect my friends any longer.
I sailed from S. on the 28th of May
for Phila. Pa. Arrived there the 1st
of June — spent nearly a week there with
a friend, and enjoyed my visit
very much. Met my old Pastor
on the Cars — was on his way home
from the General Assembly — had
a nice little visit with him — which
I expect will be my last as he is
now dangerously ill, and not
expected to recover.
I found my friends all in good
health, and glad to see me.
George has grown quite tall — is
in school, and is just as active
and happy as ever.
I have been longing so much to
hear from you and your sister
Mary. Tell her I hope she will
be very successful in her profession

must do a great deal of good.
Are you ready to say you want to vote yet? I cannot feel that it is best for us to meddle with political matters to any great extent - our influence should always be on the side of right but I am afraid we come far short of doing that just as things are now.
How did you like the work in C. and do you intend to go out another year?
Please let me hear from you very soon. I have written you a very poor letter but I hope you will overlook its meagerness, and tell me all about yourself.
Give my love to Mary, and accept a "heap" of it for your own dear self.
Ever your loving

M. R.

P.S. Do you hear from Mr Mc[illegible]
I owe Miss Jenckes a letter.

Norfolk Va.
July 7. 1865.

Miss C. F. O. Everett
Rensen N.Y.

Dear Friend:

I find that I neglected sending you a slip of paper on which I had written the Acct. The money was appropriated as follows.

Wood for poor women	$3.00
White-wash for a Cabin	.50
Books & Cards	15.00
Shoes	1.50
	$20.00

Please address
Mary M. Reed
Versailles. Catt. Co.
N.Y.

A magnolia leaf from Cedar Grove Cemetery Norfolk Va

sing the beautiful hymns
sung by little ones at home.
and reciting their lessons
with equal interest and
taking so much pains
to appear neat and tidy
you would forgive me for
stating them.
The Norfolk, Portsmouth and
farm schools were mostly
closed yesterday. A few
teachers only still remain
during the warm season.
but enough, I hope, to
continue the Sabbath Schools.
We thought it desirable
to give each child in our
day school, which numbers 350
a little book for a present,
knowing how much they
prize books or cards.

I send you samples of the cards—
Please accept the enclosed from R.

We thought it desirable to
give bound books as they
would be longer preserved.
I had not time to consult
you, but acted upon the
advice of other teachers and
furnished $15: half the
amount required -
The order was filled with
paper covered books and
some beautiful cards. Of
course there were many
more than we desired - I
was much disappointed -.
We decided to give each
a book, except the Alphabet
division of 50. and one
card to every scholar
regular in attendance
three months - one also
to the one who had not
been tardy during that time.

In my Division of less than 50 there were 9 who had not lost a day and 7 punctual ones.

There is a quantity left which will be very useful. Even the old women seem very thankful for one. I sent to Misses Patten & Dupré for the orphans. So many more can be made glad I am not sorry the mistake was made.

I cannot tell you how much teachers and pupils enjoyed having the books.

The persecution of colored people has commenced in Norfolk. We fear the terrible scences so recently witnessed in Richmond are to be reenacted here. This morning citizen

stabbed one of our
union soldiers -

To-day our city is under civil authority for the first time since our forces entered.

Hoping to hear from you soon I am

Yours sincerely

Mary M. Reed.

June 4th 63

Dear friend Cynthia

Yours of the 3 received in due season & was very glad to hear from you and hear that you had got home all right. I didn't expect you to answer that letter. I will send this one to you instead of keeping it until you come after it. We are sorry that you could not come up here again before you went away but you must come up again and spend & see all of your country cousins. I meant to I should tell you how that boy's hand is getting along well. I saw him about a week ago his hand had got about well it wasn't sore but he didn't have any binding around it the inside of his hand looked red. I guess it didn't [illegible] him much any. I have heard since that he is sick. He took cold when he was up [illegible]. He has the Dr. I don't know what the matter is but I heard today that he wasn't any better.

Sis has got her hood done it is blue it looks real pretty Katie Jones came up with us last ~~saturday~~ Thursday from singing school she and Sis came up to ~~the~~ school Friday afternoon saturday it stormed ~~so~~ she had to stay over Sunday she says she is going to answer your letter one of these days. Mary Howe too is telling Katie how we ~~went~~ rode horse back last summer I have not seen John Evans to tell him what you said But I told the school master and Charley & Enoch what you said to them Mrs Payne told me to tell [illegible] tell you not to let that handkerchief get lost Mrs Payne said that you should wait for that boy he is growing fast he is almost as big as you now Mary's throat has got well Levantia does not come to school now Mary Buckhamer has gone away and she has to do the work. Mr Payne came near selling his farm all but signing the papers but I guess it has all fell through.

Alida sends her love to you and wants you to write to her Fannie and Jane havent gone back yet Frank Hadley & Jane went to Constableville one day. We had to go on the floor to sing last Thursday night I didnt dread it as much as I did.

the first time. Katie J and I went up together Mary Ann had to go up alone
Oh yes I must tell you I took a cold water bath last friday. Mary Payne and myself went in Mr Evans meadow to take a ride on a hand sleigh Enoch and Emory was drawing us and after we had rode for quite a spell the ice broke and the sleigh went in Mary scrabled out some way and I got of the sleigh into the water when I put my hand on the ice to get up it would break and let me down again Emory pulled me out they thought that I would go under the ice I was in up to my waist the water wasent deep but it scart us I felt better after it the boys plagued us afterwards they said that they never saw us look so clean. We went over to Mrs Jones's to get dry we changed our clothes and dried our wet ones and then turned them we got back to school by the girls recess. Then there was two of the boys fell in afterwards so Tom made a big fire and they dried themselves there I guess I shall keep off the ice after this We dident know what you meant when you asked if Humphrey was mail carrier now-

[illegible] when you write again please explane
it to us I don't know when Sis will come
down she doesn't know herself but she says
that she is coming some time in the future
if ever I haven't seen Walter to ask him about
that pair and a dictionary
I got a letter from Mary Jane last week she is
not coming up after her things but wants us
to pack them for her and send them down
she was going to Floyd to stay a few weeks
Grandfather isn't coming back to the old house to
live again he says It will be a good deal pleas-
anter for him down there than it was up here
We miss them it seems as though we haven't any
neighbors It seems so strange that that house is
empty Mr Rowlands is going away from Collinsville
he is going out West he is to have an auction next
month they will miss him Richard Isaac another
methodist minister and A Mr Sadsbry are going out
West too And Hugh Williams talks of going away too
I don't know what the Welsh will do for ministers
Mr [illegible] is going away to they talk of getting Jenio
Williams in his place Perhaps you know him his father
lives over the River his name is Robert Williams
Billie Jones hasn't been up here yet but it has
been so stormy every Sunday do you remember the
sunday that you dressed yourself on the way to church
Mary Ann hasn't fixed her hair very neatly
I don't know but she will have to with this new hat
Ma isn't very well now she sends her respects to you all
Now I shall have to bring this to a point
Hoping to hear from you soon please excuse the mistakes
&c of this letter We all join in love to you all
Yours most truly Addie

Turin May 7th 1877

Dear Friend Cynthia

Your letter was received in due season I had begun to think that you had forgotten your Tug Hill cousins but I see you have not or if you had you must have been reminded in some way But as you said that you had been very busy cleaning house and sewing so [illegible] of course you did not have time. I suppose you have got through by this time We cleaned some last week but have not finised yet. I do not go to school this summer Miss Deforister from Constableville teaches she commenced last Monday
I dont know as that is spelt right

She does not have many large scholars Alida is the largest Ellen does not go this summer she is over to her [illegible] [illegible] this summer Levantia Pagne ~~do~~ goes to Turin Mary and Mel dont go to school

I havent seen any of them since they moved excepting Mary I saw her at Turin last week. Four of the Prichard boys go to school.

A man by the name of Isaac Williams lives where Mr Payne lived he has two boys and three girls but none of them larg enough to go to school I dont know but the two oldest might go but it is quit far for them to walk. Mr Payne lives on the way toward Houseville. Wigney Roberts goes to school he says he likes the schoolmam. He says he likes the scholman last summer too He inquires very often when you are coming up here Mr Hugh Williams preaches to the upper church every Sunday afternoon They havent got any preacher to the lower church yet so they all come up to the other church

The Collinsville big meeting was last Wednesday it was a very rainy day but the bonnets were all out all that went past here had them on

There is a new milliner in Turin so I guess every body will be suplied with "Big meeting bonnets" We did not go to Collinsville meeting

The Turin meeting is going to be the 27th of June

W. A. please write soon. Lizzy Billard or Jones rather has got a little daughter about a month old she is up to her fathers now
I sent Ellen Roberts letter to her

Byron is here he says that he has hired out here for the summer He said he liked all kind of work but picking chips father said he might get a boy to pick chips if he would do the rest. He looked around trying to find one at last he found one but he said that one swears and he didnt think he would do but he thought if he was up to his Uncle David's they would break him of that but at last he gave it up and said he would pick chips himself he would do any thing that we had for him to do if he could only come Aunt Ann is quite smart now and all the rest of the family We cary our milk to the Factory this season We are raising four calves We did better than you ever ~~raised~~ fated one for veal and have eaten it up Our turkey has layed 12 eggs and the other one has gone a visiting I had an invitasion to go to a sugar party but I had a sore foot and could not go

I have not seen Eddie since last winter I guess his cold has got well ere this Lis [illegible] guess him about it when she see's him You must come up here this summer and make us a visit before if you do you will have a better visit than you did last ~~summer~~ winter Father and mother is well and send their love to you all and Humphrey Tomie Lis and Byron ~~is~~ send theirs Tomie & Lis will be expecting to hear from you before long my love to all and a share for yourself

I remain ever your Addie

Whitesboro June 22nd 1863

My Dear friend

We recieved yor letter two or three weeks ago you must excuse me for not writing sooner. the reason I didnt Ann Ellis was at our house a week or two ago and she told us that you and Jenie wer coming down soon We like our new house very much

We have got a cow and we have a small piece of land but my Father dont like to keep her there so we have to hire her pasture

wer got a garden it is not a very large one we have some flowers they are on both sides of the path We have a very good Sunday School at Yorkville there wer quite an number attended there from the Sem

Mr Jones recieved five in church last sunday our Oosister daughters and Willie Williams Jane Williams and my-self We have a meeting for the young folks once in two weeks at our house they are very good meetings Uncle Guy went to N Y new york this spring I got a letter from him the same week that we got yours he is in a whole sale hat and cap store he is quite lonesome down there The last that we herd from Billy was that had not got over his sickness yet. he lost all of his hair and he cut his foot and was laid up for six weeks William ~~the Jones~~ R Jones sends his best respects to Eddie and thanks him for the Cenhadwr that he sent him if it was him that sent them he could not think for a long time who could of sent them at last he thought of Eddie The anniversary is going to be next thursday they are going to have lectures every

knight they are going to have
a party at Mr Gardners thursday evening and
they are comeing to the park the same evening ~~in the~~
We want you and Eddie to come down
then and as many of the rest that can
come and stay two or three weeks and
take care of our flowers and the rest
of our garden We thank you very much
for the bird and its little cage Mother
says it is to much to give the bird
and cage both away she says the bird
is hers now but I think Father claims
it any how she says she often thinks
of you and Eddie down here to come
on the middle of eating to wring
that old bell when she thinks of it
she wishes she had got the meals
sooner but it cant be helped now
Libbie Evans sends her best respects
to you and wants you to hurry
down here Ask Eddie if he remembers
the knight that we were at Mr Davies

last fall tell him I do and I
think I shall for a while
We all go to school this summer
we are going to have a vacation all of
next month Father thinks of writing
every day but he dont get time
I must now now draw to a close
so good night

The next time you write get a larger sheet
your letter was good but it want ~~than~~
long enough answer this
soon Please excuse all
mistakes

These lines from
~~[illegible]~~

Mary A Roberts Esq

[illegible]

[illegible] the light of faith [illegible]

of heaven [illegible]

Chicago Jan 23rd 1863
No 15 South Sangamon St

My dear Carrie,

If Henry writes, we [illegible]
for there was never [illegible] [illegible] I
shall see you all again. Willie [illegible] I am not
thinking of you, I feel as if there were not
[illegible] [illegible] in the wide world, as the
Everett Passenger – and one so hard working
and I am not at all inclined to find
fault with the world to day. I talk to
Hattie M. [illegible] about you all (you know
I can't help talking my friends [illegible] [illegible]
and she says when I go to see you she
is coming too – I have a hope that sometime
to gather together all those I love, and then
I should have all the happiness my heart
could contain – but common sense tells me
with such diversity as there is among my
friend they couldn't be very congenial to
each other, however I think Hattie would
love you all, would appreciate you, and
you her –

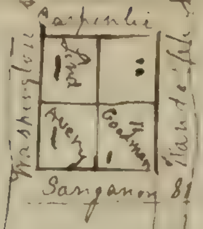
I think, it is about four weeks since

I write you- About four weeks ago I went out to Lake Forest- Hattie and I, and spent a week with Cousin Mary- It is a charming place there a city of six years growth- Mr Lind was one of a company who bought the ground and laid out the city. He was one of the rich men of Chicago then- gave $100000 to the University which is named for him- I think he has taken his downfall as a Christian should and is a humbler and better man. They have a pleasant place there all they have left of half a million- H, and I had a nice time and then spent the next week together at Jefferson. That week is the first one I have enjoyed there since Father died. Ma, has bought a new parlor cook stove for the sitting room- H, and I brought the melodeon in from the parlor and so we had parlor & kitchen all together unless on washing day- and we sung and washed dishes and cooked- and were happy- We have a new minister too, in the Parsonage- and he has a charming wife- I like him too, I think he is good and sensible, and will preach better with more practice I must not forget to mention one thing though it is very small- on our

[illegible]
in Jefferson we found a new baby at Charlie's
house almost two weeks old – was born the 1st
I believe Charlie has named it Willie
and I don't know but they will let it go
at that. They say it is a splendid baby but
I defer my judgement for five or six months
Since I returned, I very foolishly made myself
sick by sewing – and this week have not been
out of the house but one day and then
was just as foolish as ever and went too much
I went to three prayer meetings – Did a little
shopping then went to the noon prayer meeting
and there Mr Moody made me promise to
go over to his mission at 3 P.M. He had
asked me a number of times before when
I could not go – and I did hate to refuse again
so I went, and as it was Wednesday I went
again in the evening yesterday the day before I kept quiet
at home and I am feeling a little better
this afternoon – I expect to do little else
than visit for the next fortnight; and so I
thought I would write you before I began – I have
an old schoolmate in town whom I have
not met in two years almost three, who
I expect will feel grieved at not seeing me to-
day. I met her at prayer meeting the other night
She has come to C, to get her wedding fixings

She is a year older than I and somehow
I never expected her to marry. I don't know
but I've mentioned her to you, She was
Preceptress in the Northern Indiana College
She is going to live in Elmira N.Y. The prospect
is now that Cousin William & Mollie are going
to live in E, Dr Seeley Cousin William's
partner told me yesterday that he would
be here next week. That's capital for me.
for Dr and Mary both say it is part of
the bargain that I shall live with them.
Doctors are thicker in E, than necessary
but I think they will manage to live.
Dr Seeley is to be married in the Spring, also
— — — —

Have left you a while and spent an
hour with Mrs Ransom and her daughters
with whom I boarded this Spring. You
remember I wrote you once or twice while
with them. They have been boarding all
summer. I was in hopes they would
keep house this winter and give me a home
but they are all going to Memphis the first
of Jan. They are our oldest and best friends
in E, and I am sorry to lose them
You ask if we have any children here
I guess I haven't said much about my



surroundings. Here I have a sort of
diagram of our block. It is owned by
four persons, one I do not know— or rather
two, for Mr Lewis' part is owned by some
one else. Mr Avery used to board with
us when he first came to C—, was not
worth much then, but has a palace
now. On our quarter there is a double
brick house and a small wooden. Mr
Goodman died insolvent— the estate is not
yet settled, but Mrs G, keeps possession
of the small wooden house on Sangamon St
Mrs G, lived in a state of single blessedness
to the perfect age of forty seven or eight and
married a widower with a son of eighteen
and a daughter of twelve. She was from
Hartford Conn, a teacher and has precise
teacher-ish ways though not nearly sixty
and her mind is well furnished and
she is very good company. No 2, of our family
is Grandma, Mrs S.S. [illegible] eighty six

years old - a real queer old woman
which brings out her dimes just when
you don't expect them - and always to the
point, No 3 is your humble servant =
No 4 - just now absent, a crazy old bachelor
of the second cousin of President Blanchard
who cannot talk because he always preaches
who thinks the world is going to "eternal
everlasting and unending ruin" and he
alone knows how to reform it - He writes
sermons and poetry until each particular hair
stands up on its own responsibility - and
then he saws wood until he gets rid of
his superfluous electricity - He and I
get into an argument sometimes but
I am no match for him he has such a
pile of words - I only get him well aroused
up and then leave him to cool off at his
leisure. No 5 is Mr Charles Sutton late
from Boston dealer in pickles preserves
and canned fruit No 6 his wife who comes
from the east next week No 7 Mr Hubble
a young man in an Insurance Office

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Have left you a while and spent an hour with Mrs Ransom and her daughters with whom I boarded this spring. You remember I wrote you once or twice while with them. They have been boarding all summer. I was in hopes they would keep house this winter and give me a home but they are all going to Memphis the first of Jan. They are our oldest and best friends in C, and I am sorry to lose them

You ask if we have any children here I guess I haven't said much about my

Cousin, I hope you will find some healing for your malady, so that some of your letters will find their way to Ill- and not all come under the head of European correspondance- I wrote to Cousin Lizzie in April- I lost the letter she sent me, did she not say she was married? and is her name Williams still?-

Give an abundance of love to all the household- Aunt & Uncle and all the Cousins little and great- I wish I could see little Eddie (tother one too) Our Louie is just as old as Eddie was when I saw him- He has only lately begun to talk, but can say most anything though he lisps a little- almost the first of his speeches was "Apple-tree Davis" He has a wee pair of boots that he wears out-doors in

Jefferson Sept 4th 18

My dear Cousin

I'm not fit to write to day. my head is so thick - but to morrow and next day, and the next and days after I see will bring their demands on my time and I fear if I do not write now I shall not very soon. I have taken a severe cold and though one might think that would be agreeable these warm days, I certainly find it otherwise - so I know you will pardon if I am duller than usual. I recieved your letter Saturday and am so sorry that you are having so much sickness and anxiety. Tell Cousin Jennie, she is often in my thoughts and *now* especially. I trust she may be convalesent before this reaches you. I feel it very kind of you, to think of me with so much still pressing upon you. Isn't it a comfort to feel when storms are about us -

than an inch long I lent Ne, this morning and thereupon she asserted that it was hers I silenced her by threatening to send for Anna.
Much love to each and all. -
Ottie

and before us, that "the worst that can come
: But shortens the journey and hastens us home"
It gives me *joy* to think that yours is an united family. Your farewells to one another will be but for a season. I used to be unable to realize, not very long since, that the changes that came to other families must come to ours - but my dream is broken, and I am begining to *feel* what sort of a world this is. It comes very hard to me at times to say *I* and *mine* instead of *ours* and *we* - and then I often think of your pleasant home and wonder if death and years will so seperate you one from another. I *did* enjoy the atmosphere of your home - and always remember you with pleasant thoughts and a prayer that your band may long remain unbroken. We have six in our little village, quite sick now, Typhoid & billious feaver in five cases - and if this weather continues we shall probably have more - We as a family are in usual

with the exception that I am very
much better I have been in Chicago
the last three weeks and expect to return
again tomorrow. Most of the time I
have been with my friend Hattie Murphy
going every day or every other day to the
Doctors for a bath. I have not fully
decided about going East. but shall in the
course of a fortnight. Our folk would
a little rather that I should stay in C.
this winter. sometimes we think of keeping
house there. I am going to try to exchange part
of our property here for a house and lot
there. I have wished it from the first and
Mr & Clarke are as willing as I now, If I
should go East I shall probably go to
Peacham Vermont to spend the winter
with my friend Elsie Gould. My heart
draws me there, but I do not wish to
have any will about it. I think it will
be very pleasant for me, too, in C. Cousin
William (Dr Clarke) and Cousin Charles (Col
Clarke) and Grace Greenwood are think of

coming on soon to make there home there. Cousin Fredrick & Son (all the same family of Mothers cousins) have already established themselves in the Commission business- Cousin Mary is not well enough to return South and will be in town often and I shall have Hattie too, I think for her Mother opposes her going South again at present= When I know any thing for certain I will let you know- for it is n [illegible] when I think of going East that I should see you once more.

Give Eddie my thanks and tell him I appreciate the representative and represented. Tell Anna I came pretty near sending a summons for her this morning, Mo and I got quarrelling about the lead pencil that she bought for me in Remsen. I cut it in two, so I should not lose it all at once. Mo, and Mother have a faculty of picking up pencils or borrowing them and keeping them and they have had these in their possesion a good share of the time- The last of these now little more

[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] 2[illegible] [illegible]65

My dear [illegible]

I have made numerous attempts
to write to you since your letter came but
I seem to have all sorts of hindrances
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] thank you [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] thanks for the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] yesterday as [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] tried to write [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
was the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and [illegible] complete [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] effort to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] but I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

and did not accomplish anything in
the way of writing besides soiling a sheet of
paper – Papa felt very indifferent [illegible]
these last three weeks – haven't written
the spirit from necessity – I have read
your letters over since these [illegible] and wished
I could have you at my elbow now –
These cousins have an equal place in my
heart as you have. they can't supply the
lack of such a friend as you – I get so tired
o' them sometimes just because there is
nothing of them – I believe you knew how
tired I felt of Nettie and Belle – and
yet I don't think I lacked kind feeling
to them – These Cousins are not very differ
except they have more refinement – but I
knew them well before I came & am not
disappointed – I came partly with a hope
of doing C– some good – for she has shown
confidence in me beyond what she gives to
no one else – She takes patiently from me
what she wouldn't take from others [illegible]
and day by day I have opportunities the

I could have in no other way. I intend
to remain until Fall – and if [illegible] is the
[illegible] for [illegible] best [illegible] – I believe I
[illegible] be better than if I had [illegible]
[illegible] seeking truly my own happiness.–

"The purpose, the wish, the thought,
The faintly spoken word that [illegible]
The plan that seemed to come to naught,
[illegible] as [illegible].
Seemed not like the deed
That poor weak deed of those [illegible] –
But like the God [illegible]
Eternal, and divine." You won't
think me egotistical, will you, for writing
[illegible] thus? but I want you to understand
what goodness seems right of such a [illegible]
as yours would bring me – and such a
sincere earnest heart as yours to trust
in – for I feel sometimes as if I should
put on my old Shaker and start off
soon without further deliberation – if I
then could take up my little establishment
[illegible] set it down in some of [illegible]

one I think. I am almost ready to believe Cousin has resuscitated him. I knew something of him ten or eleven years ago. but had forgotten him until he claimed acquaintance I know he was very kind to the ladies in his boyhood and he appears not to have lost any of his kindliness. He is a widower and extremely kind to Cousin we have considerable fun over our Ph-ysician declaring that she is jealous of her sister. The fact is they are both coquettish and the [illegible] is rather [illegible] [illegible]. He used to work in the printing office when I did. He writes pretty good [illegible] but his letters [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to read his own writing. I have attended meetings here, each of these last three Sabbaths and [illegible] also the last two and [illegible] [illegible] during the week. I enjoy them very much.

He writes me every week. Mother's health is very much better than it w of your yard. I should think my room deserved the name that Ollie gave it a Paradise.

I presume you are most of you at Church now. Cousin has gone. the shop is as quiet as anybody's parlor. we. A.C., and self have on our clean dresses and are keeping quiet. It seems like Sabbath day and a most glorious one. Read N.P. Willis "Dawn" if you would know what sort of a morning this was. and the day is fit to follow it. It is almost natural to worship God on such a day as this. There is so much in such beauty to touch one's heart. Mr. Smith our minister said the other night that by simply thinking of a friend at a distance we could influence them to think of us. I don't believe it but if it was true I think you would be this side of me to day for I've hardly had you out of my mind since. That is what he calls "silent influences" very silent indeed I think. Our minister is a funny

Please burn

I left them and Mary says she is better herself. They have a good girl— I expect to go home for a few days when cousin Mary Reed comes— I dont Know whether I have mentioned that she was in Atlanta the Principal of the Freedmans school there— She likes her work & feels that she is doing good— I suppose [illegible] her in October.

Thank you for that letter of home news— Please write soon and excuse all that needs excuse in this— Give my love to all— but dont pass my letters around on inspection— do you?

Ottie [illegible]

Jefferson March 17th,
Evening

My dear boy,

I received your letter only yesterday and here am I writing to you. Why? Because my heart is full of you. My thoughts are not good for anything after the first [illegible] and the [illegible] is always [illegible] read a letter. Why should I wait when I want to write now! Will you think I have letter-writing on the brain! Will you think me tiresome. [illegible] before my eyes this moment - and I have [illegible] two weeks in [illegible] hidden in my heart. You [illegible] to the [illegible] of your [illegible] which Holmes says [illegible] into the second [illegible]. You told [illegible] first [illegible]

through halls, or wait in an ante room.
and now I hold your key and chain
it faithfully until you fetch it.

Yesterday was a glorious day for me.
I was so happy — happier I think than
I've been for a day in a year. I don't know
as any one else knew it but I felt it.
I thought before that I was as happy
as one could be under such circum-
stances — but I am happier now and
nothing has changed but me. It seems
as if I had somehow forgotten [illegible]
presence and only just now remembered.
I should be ashamed to tell you what
I was saying to Mary, the day before
yesterday about the gloom that covered
every thing. That day every thing aggravated
me — and when I felt wrong I justified
myself to myself until at last I spoke
all the hard wicked thoughts — willfully
again and again. I knew what I was doing
and I was not sorry. I cannot think
what could ail me — hours after when

I was alone - I was frightened and distressed and humbled I could not go to sleep that night until I felt safe in the arms of the o[illegible] one who is able to succor the tempted. When I was a child and felt frightened I wanted to get hold of father or mother's hand [illegible] and hold them to make sure they will not leave me. Just so my soul reached out for Jesus the other night and I found him - and I laid down to rest repeating mentally "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest unto your souls." It has seemed to me since I came home as if every one was playing on the naked nerve pulps of my soul unintentionally but none the less surely [illegible] and I really wondered at my cheerfulness and forcefulness. 'Twas my own out of tune soul whose chords twanged and jarred at every touch - Cousin [illegible] [illegible] been equal to the command [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and I cannot very well act

We are expecting Aunt Harriet Brewster here every day. I forgot to tell you that Uncle [illegible] lived till the first of January. He took cold about the first of Oct. though he was better two or three days before he died, so that he could attend church the last Sabbath. Himself and wife expected to unite with the Congregational church. He was a member of a Cong Church in N.Y. and his wife of a Baptist Church in [illegible] before their marriage. Mother is very anxious for Auntie. Our Mother is quite sick. I think the angel is waiting to carry her to Beyond the River. She appears to have Dropsy and Consumption combined. Her mind is much clearer than it was. She is much brighter in appearance. We have hardly seen a tear in her eye since her sickness. I do not think she suffers very much aside from the weariness of being confined to her bed. I think she expects to be able to walk about again but I do not think she will. Some days we cannot keep her still she will jump up after something although there is always some one to wait upon her. The head of the [illegible] I I lost feel [illegible]. I know what has been in my heart by the lightness now it is gone. I wish I could always realize Jesus' presence. Do you think it is possible for us to do so.

"Abide in me, there have been moments pure When I have seen thy face, and felt thy power Then evil lost its grasp and passion hushed Owned the divine enchantment of the hour. These were but seasons beautiful and rare Abide in me and they shall ever be Pray thee now fulfill my earnest prayer Come and abide in me, and I in thee." This is the breathing of Mrs Stowe's soul but it suits mine too.

March 20th Evening

Ollie has left her little letter on my "sugar desk" as she calls it so I'll try to finish my talk and send the two on their way though the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] has somewhat subsided for I'm thoroughly tired to night. Your letter lies beside me! Coz do you know how much I love you! So much that it is natural for me to think of you when I pray and pray for you when I think of you. I think some one has been praying for me and that I am enjoying the answer in my heart. Perhaps it was you? I wish you was going to share my bed to night; though the small hours might find us talking instead of sleeping. I think we shall meet this sometime. I can't tell why unless because I think I need you. Tell Auntie I thank her with a[illegible] [illegible] for her thoughtfulness for me but I think she has more than her complement of chickens and I shall not try to nestle under her wings but feel more inclined to coax some of them away if I can find a nice worm to entice them with.

summer always affects her so much that I
do not think she will live through it. Pray for
her cousin that her sun may set clear.

I was very glad of that letter from Wales
I guess I have you to thank for it. Did you
tell them that I was cross? Will you tell me
how to direct an answer? I must go to bed.
Write me just as often as you can and believe
you are doing me good every time as indeed
you do. I would I could give you their value
in return. Love to each and all and especially
to the cousin who was first to give me room in
[illegible] and made way for me with all the
rest.

Ottie Roberts

After ten days return to
Geo. G. Berry, Job Printer,
Room 10 McDuffee Block,
ROCHESTER, - - - N. H.

Cynthia H. Everett,
Remsen,
Oneida Co. N. York.

GEO. G. BERRY,

ROCHESTER,

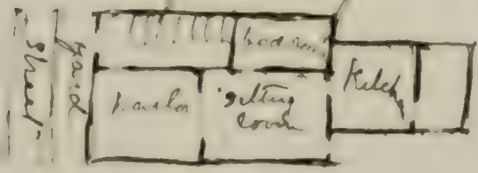
N. HAMPSHIRE

Chicago Oct 28th 1868
141 W. Washington St.

My dear Cynthia,

I was very glad indeed to get your letter, so glad that I would have answered it that very hour if it had been possible, but I have not found a moment's time. I should have been very much grieved by your silence- [illegible] of you to write if you would) but I have not allowed myself to think much about it. The last month I have been particularly busy- Cousin Mary and the Doctor have at last gone to housekeeping- which is much the same as saying that ~~I have~~ we are living in a rented house, have five in the family beside a girl. The last we took to ourselves to day. I think she is going to be a treasure. For four weeks Mollie and did all the work - and that means something when you consider that we had everything to buy. It takes no small amount of running to get the necessary tools together. We hardly knew what was needed until we felt the want and then we must run and get it - but at last we are fully settled and our first month completed. Mollie knew just nothing of culinary matters so what skill I had has been called for and has kept me pretty busy. Our friends thought we were wild to think of doing without a girl and now they laugh - Mrs Seeley especially. Dr Seeley and Dr Clarke are in partnership and Dr S., and wife board with us. Mrs S. is one of the merriest souls in existence, irresistably funny - and an excellent conversationalist, and what seems unusual with her flow of wit she never uses it to any ones pain. but seems the soul of kindness. I am so glad to find

her as she is for I had not expected to love her but only to admire her brightness. Dr and Miss Seeley were married in February about two months later than Dr Clarke and Hollie.
I think we have just about all we need to make us happy. We have everything nice and comfortable though quite plain this is the plan of the house on the first floor



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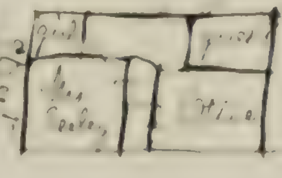

I have a nice large room which is warmed by a register from below which contains all my earthly property except my melodeon which stands in the parlor. Last week I bought a new Sewing Machine. I have not had time to try it but shall soon. If it behaves good it will be my especial pet for this winter for I've heaps of work laid out. Hollie you know cannot see to read or write and so I have every opportunity to be useful. He is building a new house into which we shall commence early in the Spring & as soon after it is finished as it is safe, and I expect I shall not have much time for sewing then or after for a time. You will judge from my talk that I do not consider myself the good for nothing piece I was a year or two since. indeed I am astonished and joyful at my increased strength and grateful too I trust. I have so much to make me happy here where all are so loving and kind and where I have every comfort, yet life is never without its trials - and I every day and almost every hour find occasion to ask Jesus for help as you did in your sewing matters. Oh Coz. I'd enjoy talking with you about these things for I know you understand it. Does it not satisfy you that even the smallest things are worth doing well, that Jesus notices them?

Coz. I do pray for you when I think of you - for you and all. - I love you all - and I want you all to love one

[illegible] work [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] would [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] aside
from the fact that it is Election [illegible]
[illegible] discomfort [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] wide [illegible]
[illegible] success here. [illegible]
[illegible] vote. We don't care
much either way for them [illegible]
[illegible] acknowledgment of defeat
[illegible]
[illegible] with us this winter. [illegible]
[illegible]
in connection with the Stone Regiment.
He is Supt of the [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

any thing you may require [illegible]

[illegible] before [illegible]

[illegible]

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Jefferson Aug

My dear Cynthia

I had a very good letter from you about three weeks ago, and I'm wanting another so much, that I am going to answer it now, though something tells me, [illegible] d do [illegible] the exercise. I [illegible] going to write [illegible] long letter, because I've got to tax my eyes in another direction, and I think it is a possible thing that I may [illegible] take a look at you sometime in September, and then we can talk a dozen letters in an hour. Monsieur "[illegible]ain (Dr Clarke) of whom you [illegible] heard Lizzie speak, was here last week. He and I had a long talk, and he told me I must not stay here, and then yesterday I went to Chicago and talked with Dr H[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] feeling a good deal better, because resolved what to do – I came home thinking and what it will amount to I don't know yet – when I find out I'll write if I don't come and tell you – I guess you would find [illegible] piece, for a few days, would you!

I have no news, of any account, Mother and I, (I always speak of myself first being the most interested) are in usual health, M, very much better than when I last wrote – She has just returned from [illegible] where she made a three weeks visit to [illegible] sister with her – Mother, Charlie, and I had a quiet time in the interval – We have had a good visit from Cousin Mary Reed and expect another in a week or so – [illegible] family are in usual health & though ~~[illegible]~~ such rainy weather is enough to make us look blue – We are almost drowned out – For some time the water has been standing eight or nine inches deep in the furrows It has rained almost every day for the last two months, and this afternoon it has poured

sheets of water - till I might quote
"So on a narrow neck of land
'Twixt two unbounded seas I stand" but
our land being better drained than our
neighbors suffered less.

Tell Mary and Anna I wish I could make them well, and give my love to all. Write me soon - if you can and believe me

Your affectionate
Ella

This letter has been lying, hid away, for two or three days - forgotten but as I have no time to improve on it I'll let it go. I had forgotten to tell you that I had a letter from Cousin John Henry. they heard of Fathers death through your paper. John wrote the best letter I ever saw from him. I answered immediately and gladly. They were all usually well though he said Uncle was failing - Thank you for sending Aunt Janes letter. Tell your Sister Elizabeth I should like very much to know her and love her as for my good Fathers sake if you cannot for my own. Tell Jennie I think a little confection would ease her as a medicine-

Cousin Jennie, why will you devote yourself so exclusively to business. I think you ought to spare a little of your heart and time for me.

I recieved a letter from cousin Rachel a little while since with her own photo and her little Baby's.

Ma, and Hattie were here last week and stayed over night. Mother and all were usually well.

Now do not wait so long before you write me again. Direct (if you write this year) before February to our street and number as our letters are delivered at the door. I think we shull not move until March or April but cannot tell.

Love to all

Ettie

[illegible] the rest of you. I'm getting ready
for a fight in some direction and its possible
[illegible] fight not many miles from here.
I don't know the name of the place where she
lives. what is it? I wish you would write soon

Ottie R

WHITESTOWN
24
N.Y.

Miss Cynthia Everett
Remsen
N.Y.

Philadelphia Nov 22d
1214 [illegible] St

Dear Cousins

I cannot let you still slip away from me again - and quite disown me. I have been thinking to day of my pleasant visit with you, and how very much I should like to repeat it before I return to Chicago. You will wonder to hear of me from this place - but you will remember perhaps that I have a cousin here my Mothers cousin - Mrs Lippincott (Grace Greenwood) She spent about three months with us in Chicago - and brought me home with her for the winter or part of it. I thought the change would be pleasant and then Mary Ann and Kitty occupy my place at the Doctors meanwhile – It was hard to leave the darling baby – it thrills me now when I think what if any thing should happen to him in my absence

It will be two week tomorrow since we arrived – I have not been about two much yet – only on two or three shopping excursions with Cousin Grace – There are a good many things I wish to see and intend to yet – I have a pleasant front third story room with fire – Cousin Grace room is just below and the parlor on the first floor – The family consists of Mr & Mrs L., Aunt, Annie Grace & myself with Anna the servant – The house was in utter disorder when we arrived Mrs L – being absent so long – but she has worked busy as a bee and put a new face on affairs – I will testify that though [illegible] but she is not afraid to soil her hands – I like her better the more I know of her

I find an abundance of reading matter I read aloud to Aunt a good deal she is eighty six and nearly blind but interested in what ever is going - Annie is a beautiful reader and very fond of reading aloud while I sew - so I assure you time does not hang heavily. I intend to visit Aunt Jane after return and if convenient I want to see you all again - Accept my best love for each of you - and I shall hope to hear from you sometime during the winter.

Ollie Roberts

Direct - 1214 Montrose St. Phil

Jefferson Jan
11

My dear Cousin

I am at home and [illegible]

[illegible] I hope it is [illegible]

[illegible] beautiful [illegible]

days and I feel [illegible] that
[illegible] It seemed to
[illegible] that I grew better [illegible]
companionship, and [illegible]
wonder why we are so far apart [illegible]
[illegible] just [illegible] — those [illegible]
whom I come most in contact; [illegible]
[illegible]
oftener those who [illegible]
[illegible]
or such as remind me of [illegible]
[illegible] with the muck rake — than
such as you. Now and then there
is a bright spot in my life [illegible]
the day I spent with you — and I
go on the strength of it many days.
I feel that for the courage and
peace that fills my heart [illegible]
thanks are due my Everitt cousins
yes — very much — and much to Hatt.
Murphy of whom I [illegible]
though perhaps you will not [illegible]
[illegible] with [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] see it with a sweetness and [illegible]

[illegible]

as I said in my heart as the [illegible]

[illegible] well. And then I [illegible]

[illegible]

given and I withhold the [illegible]

[illegible] of their words is good

one that knows when to withhold

and when to bestow and [illegible]

that it best though I could not

[illegible] it for that of those [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] I fear sometimes that I [illegible]

[illegible] to seek human counsel [illegible]

[illegible] divine. I [illegible]

[illegible]

twenty two years ago which became
his intention to [illegible] and to [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
a bill - the [illegible]
[illegible] one - and it [illegible]
to Mother - the [illegible]
[illegible] intend [illegible]
estate will be sold [illegible]
[illegible] title - [illegible] is [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] trial [illegible]
Walters wishes. if [illegible] -
I am afraid the [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] for I think [illegible]
[illegible] Otter hand [illegible]
[illegible] and it [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] I should like to [illegible]

[illegible] I thought I would write you that [illegible] one of your [illegible] will [illegible] without [illegible] and [illegible] thought [illegible] I should feel quite a [illegible] If I should [illegible] change comes over it I should be glad. The first week or two I thought I could not stay but I don't feel willful about it now. Mother don't like to hear of my coming home again but I feel so miserable physically if [illegible] I am just waiting to see how [illegible] Mr. Hayes [illegible] he would [illegible] I think I should go for a few days and see what he has to say to me. She is not feeling very well & she thinks she

[illegible]

[illegible] in my own [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible] through [illegible]

[illegible]

Friday night [illegible]

[illegible] this morning [illegible]

[illegible] school [illegible]

[illegible] She has been [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] my letters are most always [illegible]
with one or the other. I think [illegible]
Mother feels very desolate [illegible]
[illegible] she is not sick abed with [illegible]
[illegible] weeping. She wants com-
forting and yet is never comforted
[illegible]
[illegible] out and moan like a [illegible]
sicken child. though I think [illegible]
[illegible]
in hopes when property matters
[illegible] that her mind
will be more quiet and that [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] I should like [illegible]
to copy that letter of Father's [illegible]
[illegible] it to her. will you [illegible]
[illegible]

Suppose we shall [illegible]
[illegible] as we are. for the [illegible]
[illegible] I have no idea how soon or [illegible]
[illegible] the estate will be settled
[illegible] has left a will [illegible]

is better pretty to the [illegible]
than I could & was [illegible] [illegible], & to
[illegible] it. She is very fond of [illegible]
in the garden and she helped to [illegible]
health and strength there when [illegible]
comes. Uncle and family are in
tolerable health. I guess I have written
about as much as you will care to
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] children [illegible]
me. Love to every one of you. [illegible]
[illegible]

Box 453 Savannah Ga,
March 17th 1878

My Own Dear Friend

Your letter [illegible] gave me sincere pleasure I was so glad to hear from you, and to know your heart still turned lovingly towards your Norfolk roommate. I was sick most of the time on my voyage, did not get up at all till Friday, and did not feel much like it then but felt anxious to breathe the fresh air on deck, Saturday the Sea was very rough but Sunday was a beautiful day and I staid out most of the time. Monday morning about 7 o'clock we reached it, and I think every one on board was glad. I took a carriage, and went directly to the Freedmen's Agency, found Miss Chapple in the parlor, and she was surprised enough to see me but gave me a cordial welcome. As soon as my trunks were taken care of went with her to find Miss Britchell. Miss Clark has gone North but intends to return again. Mr Hood the Supt, has gone home, his health is very poor indeed.

Found Miss Chapple rather poorly, and have been confined to her room since Saturday. I was tired and felt almost sick the first of the week, but am feeling better now. I cannot see that the children here are any better than in our dear *Norfolk* schools. I am quite disappointed in them after hearing them spoken of as being so superior to ours. I dread having a school of my

rest here after the hard work
I had to correct the manners
of Calvert St Children. I now feel
that Miss Dorcas and I accomplish-
ed more than we thought. I am
rather glad of an opportunity to
[illegible] the [illegible] of the school I
wish so much we might have
stayed till it was time to close
schools, You know "blessings
brighten as they take their flight"
and I must say my heart turns
lovingly to the dear people who
labored among us, and I long
to take [illegible] of them to the
last as our days go by. I
know I cannot be so useful
here where I am not known.
But I must not continue this
strain or I shall say much that
would make you feel sorry
for me to "return". I expect to
feel some like a transplanted

[illegible] out of my [illegible]

tree at present but hope to feel [illegible] at home soon.

The family is a pleasant one and I like them very well but I miss you very much and wish you were with me. The [illegible] [illegible] to this. She is late and her hair is pleasant and [illegible] but she is very different [illegible] girls. I have not been [illegible] yet but I will tell you about it next time. Give my love [illegible] regards to [illegible] and accept this [illegible] from your

loving friend

M, [illegible]

P.S. Write as soon as [illegible] you arrive in [illegible] are going there I think [illegible] she is there, I was not [illegible] nothing [illegible] to buy but I have

To Mrs. Cynthia A. Carroll

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Schools for the County of Oneida, earnestly solicit your attendance at the TEACHERS' INSTITUTE, to be held in the Court-House at Rome, in pursuance of Chapter 179, Laws of 1856, to commence on Monday, September 30, at 2 o'clock P. M., and to continue two weeks—five days in each week.

Arrangements have been made that *Board* can be had reasonable.

Professor C. T. POOLER will conduct the Class Drill.

Hon. E. W. KEYES, Acting State Superintendent ; Professor D. H. COCHRANE, Principal State Normal School ; President FISHER, and many other distinguished gentlemen, are expected to lecture before the Institute.

We would urge upon all Teachers, and those intending to teach a Common School, the importance of attending the Institute. Those having had experience cannot fail to be benefited by an intercourse and acquaintance with each other, and by discussion of their various methods of teaching and governing. Those without experience and intending to teach, certainly need to avail themselves of every opportunity to qualify themselves for the responsibilities they are about to assume. Our Doctors, Lawyers and Divines spend years in thought and study to prepare themselves to practice successfully in their professions, yet none of these need a more thorough preparation before entering upon practice than the Teacher. The duty which binds every Teacher to elevate his profession—the sacred obligations we are all under to improve that sacred and hereditary institution, our Common School system—the momentous interests, both public and private, which depend upon the advancement of popular education amongst us—the blessings or the calamities to be bestowed or inflicted upon all posterity by our fidelity or our neglect—appeal to every Teacher in particular to promote every measure and embrace every opportunity which holds out a reasonable expectation of enhancing the prosperity and extending the blessings of our Common Schools. Had a similar Common School system to that of our own State existed in every State of our Union, that the whole people could have read and understood their own true interests, that awful calamity that now threatens to overwhelm us as a nation could never have happened.

As only such Teachers as attend the entire term can be reported as a basis upon which to draw from the funds granted by the State, we hope all Teachers may be present and report themselves on the first day of the meeting. It will be well for each Teacher to bring an Arithmetic, a Grammar, and if convenient, Sanders' Fifth Reader.

Dated at Utica, the 2nd day of September, 1861.

H. E. WILCOX,
P. B. CRANDALL,
J. H. TRACY,
M. N. CAPRON,
} SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CO. OF ONEIDA.
D. S. HEFFRON, SUP'T OF SCHOOLS, UTICA.

Norfolk Va. June 27th/64

Miss. C. H. Everett,

Dear Friend,

Your very kind and encouraging letter, dated June 18th was duly received. I can not tell you how grateful I feel for your offer to place at my disposal the sum named. In it I recognize a kind Providence. For sometime past in the course of my visiting I have met with many cases, of sickness &c. that ready money only would reach. In my efforts to do this, I have been painfully reminded of the slenderness of my own purse. But with these demands I have found my personal needs growing less. So with the prospect of the sum you propose to send, in addition to what I may be able to spare, I feel that many hearts may be gladdened through relief afforded their bodily necessities. I thank you thank God, as well as you.

You rightly judge that I am very happy in my work. All life's interests deepen so with ones experiences here. Then too, I feel that God has blessed so much our feeble efforts. 'Tis very sweet to feel that He is working with us.

If there are any particular points relative to the work upon which you desire information, address a note to me, and and I shall most gladly serve you. I will also furnish you a report of the nature of the expenditures.

Could the friends in your vicinity have stood with me this morning, and looked into the bright faces of nearly eleven hundred little freed children, heard their glad voices in song and noted their quiet behavior, I know that their hearts would have been warmed by a fresh zeal for the cause. May God's blessing rest upon them. They have yet a trying ordeal to pass through. The sudden transition must have its dangerous tendencies. Yet I am full of hope for them.

You will please pardon the delay attending the answering of your letter; which was mislaid much to my regret.

The money may either be sent in a letter to my address Box 104 Norfolk Va.

or by a draft on the First National Bank of
Norfolk. Va.

In haste yours sincerely,

J. J. Smith.

P.S. Please send it as early as is convenient. as I intend going home for a vacation early in August. J. J. S.

House of Correction
Charleston. S. C. Aug 4th 70.

Miss Everett:

I think this will suprise you coming after so long a silence, but I hope it may prove a pleasant suprise rather than the contrary. I promised to write you how I enjoyed myself this vacation. I promised to write you every week, but I have been so busy enjoying myself that though I said each day I would write you on the next, I have delayed until to day. I am patiently waiting the coming October, when I shall return to my old room in "Avery Normal Institute" there I shall try to improve the time laid before me to the best of my ability.

When you write please let me know if you will be with us next term or not. Mr Warren kept a little school during the month of July, but I did not attend it.

Mr Warren has taken an active part in establishing a school in the County Jail for the instruction of the Prisoners, it is doing on nicely. he has as one of his teachers Master

P. V. Hazel, he was one of Miss Farrell's scholars. Mr. Warren has moved his family over to Mount Pleasant, where he expect to stop until next October, he comes over in the morning & return at night, he has four (4) of Nos 10 & 11. boys in his employment at present, writing for him.

I would write you a longer letter but time will not allow me to do so, I will therefore close, hoping this may find you all well.

Excuse mistakes & bad writing as I am in a big hurry.

Respectfully Yours
John L.
Dart.

State of South Carolina,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Columbia, June 23d 1870.

Cynthia H. Everett.
Charleston. S.C.

Dear Madam:

I have been directed by his Excellency Governor Scott, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in reference to the lamentable condition of the juvenile prisoners in the Charleston Jail, and to express his warmest sympathy in the feelings and wishes expressed by you on the subject. In the absence of any power on the part of the Governor, he has deemed it advisable to call the attention of Mr. Morris the Editor of the Charleston Republican to the subject, who has promised to bring it to the consideration of the citizens of Charleston which he trusts will meet your approbation, and result in the success of your charitable efforts.

I have the honor to be.
Very respectfully,
Your obedient Serv.t,
Jno Heart,
Private Secretary.

State of South Carolina,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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Cynthia H. Everett,
Box 175 Post Office –
Charleston, S.C.

Saratoga Feb 4/58

Miss Everitt

Dear Friend

your letter was duly recd. and I was truly not a little surprised

But in reply to your request even by my rules I could have no charge against you, even by your own testimony By this you will see, that I cannot take the position of a forgiver, but if God has forgiven thee, you are forgiven indeed and there remains not a shadow between thee and me, I can bury and forget but not forgive, God alone can forgive in my judgment, but please your self about this

for I have the most friendly
feelings towards all three of you
and I trust that you will
views with regard to me as such
I think that if my own
family had acted the part that
belonged to them I should have
been doing business now
with a happy home. But all
all is lost

Please count me your
friend until you step aside
farther than you have yet

I suppose Sarah has forgotten
me, yet I should like to
hear from her, and see you
all. I am very glad to hear that
Mary has got so well, her pen
is very loquations and would
like to hear from it.
That kind Father and Mother
who has carried you all through
much sickness and trouble

will soon be called to part with them. I should like a visit with them.

Please tender my kindest regards to them all and accept a large share yourself.

In haste

Very Respfy Yours

E. S. Strong

Saratoga May 13/58

Miss Everett

Dear friend.

I was very happy in the receipt of your kind letter which was duly recd. I did not dream of its being from you, in that region, but, am glad to hear that your health is so good, that you are thus favorably situated, & attending school, & I trust that ~~that~~ you will improve the time but not carry it as far as Mary did, health is better than all else, so be carefull.

You say that Mary is with you please tell her that I am stoping at the Franklin house & should be very glad to have her call on me tell her that she must if possible

I would be glad to see you all. but this seems not to be my privileg, I should be very very glad to see Sarah, why has she not written Will she not come to S, this summer? Sarah seems very near to me & I should be glad to visit with her wonce more & had I my home should be glad to see you all to gether once more it would be, very gratifying to me

The business season is fast approaching when S, will bloom again but not to me, but I must complain

If there are any patients such as I docter please send them to the Franklin House is a good place a very fine family Ralph Brintnal Proprieter

It will cost the nearly the same as at the Mansion Let me hear from you when it is convenient

Please accept these few lines from a friend

Very Respfy Yours

E. S. Strong

JAMES SAYRE, *President.*
R. S. WILLIAMS, *Cashier.*

CAPITAL $100,000.

Oneida Bank.

Utica. N. Y. 14 Octo 1864

Miss C. H. Everett
Secy Remsen

Madam

Yours 12 recd -
Packages can not go free by Express better Send the pkgs Subject to chgs as the Commission can receive them at reduced rates - There is no necessity for prepayment - large packages Should always be Sent by freight train & not by Express they go just as Safe & almost as quick -

Money Seems to be the most useful Contributions - I have no way whereby I can furnish Materials for you to make up - I have Sent you Some Circulars Containing information

In haste Yours &c R S Williams
USCC ns

All Moneys should be sent to the Treasurer, and all Goods to the Secretary and Agent.

UNITED STATES CHRISTIAN COMMISSION.
Central New York Branch, Utica, New York.
R. S. WILLIAMS, Esq., (Cashier Oneida Bank,) Treasurer, 157 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y.
Rev. D. W. BRISTOL, D. D., Secretary and Agent, 32 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y.

Utica, N. Y., April 10th 1865

Mrs C. H. Everett
Remsen N. Y.
Dear Madam:

Your favor of april 5th to the N. Y. Central Branch of the U. S. C. Commission is before me.

In the absence of the Rev D. W. Bristol D.D. whom I had expected & hoped would be back to day and is not I will reply therefore to your communication which has been handed me and say that the Keg of pickled Cabbage & one barrel of hospital Stores from the good Ladies of Steuben were duly received and were at once forwarded to their proper place for aiding in the alleviation of the many noble Soldiers who have gone forth and have perilled and are now perilling their lives for their & our Country's good. God bless the Soldiers who have so recently wrought victories that astonish the world now and will for ages to come.

Very Respectfully
George R. Carter

Camp Ground nr Bland

Sep 2d 1864

Mr B. H. Evans I have conferred with the Rev Mr Evans about the matter you wrote to me about and will say that providence permitting he comply with your request on friday evening sep the 7th I will come if nothing happens and we will call at your house if it is so that we can

Respectfully yours

R Flint

U. S.
Christian Commission

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners: of whom I am chief."

Fortress Monroe April 26th 1865

Miss C. H. Everett:

The Box of goods sent to the Soldiers in the Army. reached this place a few days since & among the precious articles sent. I find a package of testaments from the Boys of your class- These are very precious & many a Soldier boy far from friends & home has been comforted by these precious words. When our delegates distribute articles thus sent in the Hospitals. they usually tell the Soldiers something about those who sent them. & the tears will start in many eyes when they are told that little Boys or Girls from N.Y. & other distant places send things for their comfort. with their love & prayers for the soldiers happiness. We have about five (5) thousand sick & wounded soldiers here now. I have been here a year. doing what I could with other Delegates of the C. C. for our brave men. In behalf of the suffering soldiers I desire to thank you. & the members of your Class for your kind remembrance of them May God bless each of those little boys & make them happy & useful while they live & Happy after death - in the better world

Yours very Truly
M. L. Tisdale
Agt. U. S. C. C.

Fortress Monroe, April 24, 1865

Miss C. H. Everett

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soldier, I desire to thank you and the members of your class for your kind remembrance of them. May God bless each of those little boys and make them happy and useful while they live, and happy after death in the better land!

Yours very truly

W. L. Tisdale

Agt U. S. C. C.

Steuben May 11th 1865

Miss C. H. Everett

Your favor of the 8th inst is at hand and I will say to you that we have no objections to your including the amount we have raised in your report provided that you mention such amount to have been raised by the Steuben Circuit We raised and sent $50.00 late last fall This spring we have raised $57. and a few cents Making $107. You may include the whole or what we raised this spring as you like

I appreciate your feelings of thankfulness for my small service at your C.C. meeting but I think no thanks are due to me If God enabled me to say a word in behalf of the good cause in which you are so actively engaged give him thanks To him all thanks are due I only did my duty Yours respectfully

R. Flint

Charleston. S.C.
Jan. 31st. 1871.

Dear Friends:

For once Uncle Sam. has been kind to us and we have prompt news of your arrival just one week from the hour when I left you lying comfortably in your berth. We all thought and talked of you "rocked in the cradle of the deep". We are all well - but I propose to give each one a chance to tell her own story. Mr. Warren is very, very busy, and I will speak for both of us. Just now he is hearing a Greek lesson in the office. My three chicks are all well. Something made me ask Shosho suddenly as she was going to bed - "What sort of a boy are you going to make?" "Why - I'm going to be a little Christian". God has given me a susceptible child in him - he deserves better than to have careless hands put to his training. Jenny says "Evit don home, see sister". She has some new gingham aprons with strings to tie behind - and goes around looking at them over her shoulder, and asking to "Do, show Miss Friend [illegible] hash- (sash)" I must take care not to feed her natural vanity. "Merry" has already learned a new trick - beckoning with his hand in a cunning way - He does not make me get up half the nights. He has his first two teeth now. No. 11. still continue with me in Rhetoric - Alonzo has a good composition this week for him. I think Lawton means to improve in spelling. Some of them brought in over two hundred words in the list "Principal Occupations of Men." We are to write this week on Eli Whitney and the Cotton Gin - and tell what traits of character his story develops - They will take Paul next in the same way - I gave an object lesson on a feather to-day, as it came in naturally. So you see I will try to do well by them - And you, little girl, must be not "papa's darlin pet" - but sister's. I'm glad to hear so good an account of you. Now be a good girl and rest, and let us hear from you by and by - Mr. & Mrs. Sumner were here

[illegible] I have been taking aconite two days [illegible] brought much of you. Love - E.J.H.

16th August.

My Dear Miss Everett:

There is a warm place for you, here, in our school and in our hearts, if you decide return. Your Latin scholars [illegible] progressed, only, to about the 8th page. I think you will be able to overtake them, and to lead them. I hope to be able to hear the advanced class (in Latin) myself. If you would prefer some other room, I think I can give you No. 8 or 9. My preference will be, that you act as supernumerary teacher, and take my office, hearing classes from both Nos. 10 and 9. Both schools will probably be full; and both teachers will need help.

My only anxiety will be for your health. You are [illegible] of too poor stuff to stand too much strain. I threaten to work my teachers, hard, next year. I promise them a daily session of a little over six hours – (say 5¼) and a Normal School on Saturday morning. But I will be good to you, and if you feel like resting will sometimes, excuse you from too much work. I wish you would leave half of your conscience, at home! I mean it. You are too conscientious to be very well! You must not allow yourself to be always on the strain. Are you resting, now? Or are you working hard and so cheating me?

Yours Respectfully + Cordially
M. A. Warren

Charleston, S. C. Nov. 18, 72

Dear Miss Everett;

When I wrote you last I'm sure I don't know. That you want me to write now, I'm sure I do know.

I half think I wrote you of our graduating exercises last spring, and will start there in giving you the news.

School closed the last of June. Our own little family went over to Mt. Pleasant and lived in Miss Hancock's house. O, I did enjoy it to have a home of our own alone once more and room to spread ourselves in! We were well, only that Mr. Warren did not get the rest he needed. He came over here to teach two days in a week, and had little change. Miss Hancock feared malaria even there, and *slept* at Sullivan's Island until she went North, Sept. 1st. But she was in and out every day, and we enjoyed her company. Miss Munro left Aug 1st. Both are back now.

No matron was decided upon, and it fell upon us to open the house. We came over Sept. 19th. and worked until school opened, with every teacher in place, Sept. 30th. Matron came the day before. That night Shosho had a slight spasm followed by a course of fever. Mr. Warren went to his bed the next day. Both had malarial fever, followed by chills and fever. Every body has said it would cease with black frost which came two days ago.

They both seem pretty well, and I hope will continue to gain. But I can't tell you how thin, white, dyspeptic and nervous Mr. Warren is. Our homeopathic physician pleased us much by his care and mode of treatment. Yet every body we know acts as if they thought we were wilfully negligent in not pouring down whiskey and taking blue-pill. If they had died, I should have been blamed for obstinacy. Yet they came out of the terrible fever very rapidly.

I had an excellent nurse for my ten-months-old Whitney. The teachers were mostly new - parents were pouring in with new scholars, and I had to keep every thing running. Mr. Ford had not come. Such a pressure night and day for three weeks as I felt, I can hardly tell you. But things look brighter now. Our matron is Miss Proctor, of whom I have little to say at present. Mr. Warren has No. 11. in Nat. Philosophy, Physiology, Latin & a sort of general exercise. Mrs. Spencer has them in Algebra. I give them Botany & long lessons in English Language and on Wednesdays, Life of Christ. Mrs. Spencer, from Oswego Normal School has 10.— Miss Turner, Framingham, Mass. Normal School, No. 9— Duncan. 8— Cutting 7—

Miller, 6 — Moore from Indiana, 5 —
Martha Scott, 4 — Martha Savage, 3 —
I oversee the work of the two latter very much. John Fordham & Mary Myers are teaching. The boys at Howard are doing well. Paul won laurels for original declamation. Cornelius Scott is there also.

Mr. Cardozo put Jas. Conyers at the naval ~~Mil.~~ Academy at Annapolis, the first colored cadet there. He has suffered some abuse from pupils, and is very lonely. Nobody speaks to him, inside or out. What a trying place! Do write him. Ale No. 11. wrote the other day. Miss Hilliard is at home with her two babyies, her sister's. Sarah Martin is married on a farm in Longmeadow, Mass. Her sister Amanda has just died there. Mrs. Ford has lately lost father, step-mother & half-brother. She is here and as usual. School was never so full. I am too tired to write more. Mortimer sends his love. Love to "Sister Mary."

Always aff., E. J. Warren

(Box 175.)

Columbia, S. C.
Apr. 28th, 1874.

Miss Bartlett, now Mrs. Rice, Worcester Mass — Lives 2 miles in the country —
Miss Munro, still teaching at Mt. Pleasant, went to see her last year reports a pleasant home.

Miss Lee, still in poor health, boarding in Boston last winter

Miss Farwell, with a brother in the West, may come here to teach.

Kate Mattison, married, Talladega Ala, has one daughter, very fat.

Fanny Rowland, teaching in the Home of the Friendless, N. Y. city.

Miss Wallace (?)

Miss Hilliard, teaching near her home in Mass.

Agnes Duncan, teaching for A. M. A. in Montgomery, Ala.

Sarah Preston, married, house-keeping near Springfield, Mass. Her sister, Amanda, died at her house - Have not heard for a year or two.

Misses Reeder, Robeson and Savage, negros teaching large country schools in S.C.

Peter Hazel & John Dart at Atlanta Univ.

James Conyers, failed completely at U.S. Naval School, Annapolis, drinks, avoids us all.

Whitfield McKinlay going to West Point.

John Graham, changing about, teaching some, studying law.

Lawton Graves ran away, roved about, last heard of teaching school in England!

Susan Aiken, dress-maker

Eugenia Charleston " "

Midsummer.

The Summer floats on even wing,
Nor sails more far, nor draws more near;
Paused calm, between the budding spring
And sweet decadence of the year.

In shadowed fields the cattle stand;
The dreaming river scarcely flows;
The sky hangs cloudless o'er the land;
And nothing comes, and nothing goes.

A pause of fullness, set between
The sowing and the reaping time;
What is to be, and what has been,
Joined, each to each, in perfect rhyme.

So comes high noon, 'twixt morn and eve,
So comes full tide 'twixt ebb and flow,
Or midnight, 'twixt the day we leave
And that new day to which we go.

Full, fruitful hours by growing won;
A restful space, mid old and new;
When all there was to do is done,
And nothing yet there is to do.

In times like these; so deeply blest,
[illegible] look nor backward nor before,
Their large fulfillment, ample rest,
make life flow wider evermore -

Advance - Aug 4th. Lois Brooke

Copied by
E. J. Warren. Aug. 16th, 1870.

she was last on this side. Maria has
spent a day with us. Paul, Thad-
deus, James Edwards, and several of our
scholars have come over here on furloughs
which are still quite fashionable, and have
made long calls upon us. Dominic prom-
ises to come and spend the day.
Mrs. Larned and a Mrs. Knox have
called upon me. Thaddeus' mother was
so much opposed to his going to sea that
that he went to Savannah instead for a
few days to visit an uncle. He spent
two or three hours with me, and I talked
to him not for a very long time but very
plainly. How I wish it might help
him! Mr. Warren carried books, a
blackboard, benches and slates down to the
jail, and set Mrs. Keheress Claussen and
Peter Haase from Miss Boutelle's room to
teaching them. They do well [illegible]
teachers. Eager to learn, glad to see Mrs.
H. every time to visit them, [illegible]
commandments and "Condrejo

they are improving. Mr. W—. goes [illegible] on Sundays for a Sunday School, and they have preaching. The "Republican" gave [illegible] and somebody else gave &c. The appeal [illegible] the newspaper brought nothing.

[illegible], the County Commissioner, has [illegible] to establish school anywhere he pleases. He takes this school now into his charge, paying for it from the usual school funds, and leaving it under Mr. Warren's immediate supervision. Who knows what this may lead to?

Mrs. W. will write you about the progress of the Latin class. He forwarded your letter to Sarah Perkins. I think of you when I comb my hair or look at the primroses— they still bloom and wither. I think I will copy for you a poem from the Advance which, I think, suits these vacation days of ours. Please give my regards to your parents. I wish your father and mine could come [illegible] together & behold how God hath [illegible] your father from me. Yours,

I. Warren.

Columbia. S.C.
May 24th, 1874.

My dear Miss Everett;

Mr. Warren was absent when your letter reached Charleston, and, as Mr. & Mrs. Ford were the only ones there beside myself who knew and loved you, I went up into their room and read it aloud.

Great changes have taken place there. Mrs. Ford promised to write you about them after my leaving, but, as she is matron, I doubt whether she will get time, so I will tell you all I can. I think I sent you a program of last year's anniversary. Let me give you the history of this year.

The teachers were Mominnia McKinlay, No. 3. - Rebecca Peace, No. 4. Leonora Johnson, No. 5. These are three of our own graduates, and they did

well. Do you remember Leonora? I
think she was your scholar. She
is a beautiful, superior girl. I wear
on my finger a gold ring, her parting
gift, bought by her own earnings.
No. 6, Mrs. Cuttino (Miss Miller's
sister), - No. 7. Miss Miller, - No. 8, Miss
Foote from Ct. - No 9, Miss Kingman
who left on Apr. 1st. from dissatisfaction
on her part, and whose place
is supplied by Mrs. Seabrook who
lived across the way; No. 10, Miss Perry
from Mass. - No 11. Mr. & Mrs. Warren
at first, now ~~Mr~~ Mr. Ford and
Miss Parsons from N. H.

The year in the house was a very
unhappy, inharmonious one. I
hope you will believe me when I say
that I was able to keep from quarrels
but I was heartily glad to get away.
After five years experience in a
"mission-home", I am free to say that
it was not a good way to live.

The matron left, without giving any warning, from dissatisfaction, on Apr. 1st. She was a kind friend to me and mine, but had a high spirit and feeble health, and could not bear much. Mr. & Mrs. Ford and three teachers are left.

Mr. F_. took charge on Jan. 1st. The friends of the A. M. A. demanded it, and its officers knew that Mr. Warren would soon be called up here. I kept on teaching till anniversary. We graduated six – Chs. Stewart, Maxwell & Misses Gaillard, Susan Schmidt, Cruikshank & Johannah Harleston. Eugenia Gaillard has gone in as an extra teacher, and will be there next year.

Mr. Ford will, I think, continue, but wants a very capable sub-master or sub-mistress, as, at present, the work added to that of his church, is too hard for him.

surrounds all, and we form a little community by ourselves. There are nine professors, and they with their families form a quiet, unostentatious, neighborly set of people. I once more know what it is to have neighbors. I have been made cordially welcome by these women and feel at home among them. The State has two of these buildings set off for a State Normal School, of which Mr. Warren is the Principal. It may begin in June; at all events, as early as October.

The large building has a main hall, and eight smaller rooms for recitation, library, cabinet &c. on the first floor, and dormitories for students in the two upper stories. They accommodate 60 or 70. The school will have more than that, after a while, probably.

The other house is the finest

dwelling on the campus, with a very large garden, barn &c.

The scholars are to dine in the basement. We are to have all the room we want, and live our own private, family life, though our food will probably be cooked and sent to our table by the steward, a man used to such business.

One or two teachers may room in the house. Their comfort and the rooms, manners and morals of the students out of school, will be the care of the matron, an educated white-colored widow from the north.

We have now some big rooms in the Med. Col. and take our meals at a professor's next door. It is a pleasant place. I never expected to like anything in the South so well, And a noble, needed work opens before us, unless some unforeseen, corrupting political influence prevents.

My own work and influence will be but indirect, as I have my house to keep and my children to teach. It is high, dry, safe in the summer, with pleasant scenery of blue hills and green valleys - and the city is not crowded, but has wide, shaded streets.

Shosho is almost eight, Jenny 6 - they are making good progress in study, and delight in this county life. My "baby" is a big boy just getting his last teeth and talking so as to amuse us greatly.

Let me hear from you again at "S. C. State Normal School, Columbia, S. C." Give my love to your dear father and mother. You know you always have it.

Yours aff. E. J. Warren

or more students, some white, some colored, and 5 white southern democrats came in this spring on scholarships. All our Howard Univ. boys are here getting $200. a year from the state to help them on! John Morris, Paul, Alonzo, Wm. Dart, Cornelius Scott, Jos. O'Hear, [illegible] Thaddeus Saltus, Chs. Stewart – 10 or 12 in all, of our boys are here, with a prospect of more in the year '75. Just think of my having these boys boys again living almost next door! They come twice a week to recite Botany to me. That gives me a chance to keep hold of them, watch them without their knowing it, and give them a little mothering if they need it.

All the Univ. buildings are clustered on an ample square in the center of which is a shaded, grassy park. A brick wall

The Ann. came in the lovely prime of the flower season. Mr. Warren gave the diplomas. The school surprised him by a finely marked silver goblet lined with gold, while No. 11. gave me a silver napkin-ring and fruit-knife.

Now for our work here. Mr. H-. came temporarily into the Preparatory School connected with the S. C University. This was a favorite state institution of the "rebs", 60 yrs. old or more, but last fall the "reb" professors left or were turned out because unwilling to admit and teach colored students. The white students left also. The state put in "radical" professors, established scholarships paying $200. a year to poor students who stand highest on a competitive examination, and now in the college and Prep. School are 100

Sacred to the Memory

OF

Miss ANNE MARGARET WILLIAMS,

Who fell asleep in Jesus, the 22nd of
May, 1859.

AT THE AGE OF 15.

To Cynthia Everett
with much love & thanks
for her sympathising and affectionate
letter; from her Aunt
Jane Williams

Denbigh
Feb 16. 1864.

My dear Cousin Cynthia

Although our envelope will be tolerably full of letters. I cannot forbear writing a few lines to you, as we have been correspondents some time ago, & hope will be again. In reading your last letter the other evening. I felt quite delighted I had such a dear affectionate cousin in America. Do write

[illegible] a letter occasionally. and
like to know something about yourself
& dear family circle.
Distance makes no difference
in our relationship. It ought to
make none in our feelings
& affections.
We were all very much grieved
to hear of dear Uncle David's death.
had heard much about him from
Mamma.
We therefore hope of seeing any of
you in Wales. How delighted we
should be.
Give my fondest
love to dear Uncle. Aunt & cousins.
& pray do send me some of your cartes
We would value them so highly. You
shall have ours but not by this letter
as it will be too heavy. I should be so
glad to have a letter from several of you
[illegible] [illegible] scrap of paper or a third-rate.
If you will write you shall have a proper one
next time. I write now to you in case you don't
want spectacles in America to read crossed letters!!
The young ladies in Wales patronize it very extensively
now. & the decided improvement of their friend's eyesight!!
After having read my letter to cousin Eliza
would you be kind enough to send it her.
Ever your own affectionate cousin
Jennie Williams
Mamma joins in warmest love to all.

Denbigh.
June 2. 1865.

~~Dear~~ Cousin Cynthia,

Cousin Bess brought a letter here now. which she is going to post in half an hour from Arnold. N— If I had known sooner. I would have written a long

letter but as it is
I can only send my
Photo, do send me
yours in Return,
it is no use sending
it ~~below~~ as a family
possession for
as Uncle Nathaniel
is so dreadfully selfish
that he will appropriate
it —

My dear love to all,
Uncle Aunt & Cousins
Bess is hurrying me
so I must stop

Your fond cousin
Lillie Williams

thought it was not long. She awakened [illegible] such
struggles as that " [illegible] on Sunday morning
the [illegible] of glory without a [illegible] 11 [illegible]
she spoke very little Sunday morning Mama
once said "[illegible] dear you have begun
Sabbath you will end in heaven" "When" "When"
was her answer. She was in such a hurry to go
dear sister she suffered much but now I am
sure she thinks it nothing compared with
the glory she now enjoys.
I have filled this sheet with an account of her
but I am sure you can have no idea what she was those

[illegible] by writing [illegible] would [illegible]
pleasure [illegible]
[illegible] had [illegible] a long [illegible]
[illegible] this summer
and her clothes and brought
about it were very expensive
yet dear [illegible] she was to
[illegible] for [illegible]
getting weaker. She said she might
[illegible] "I would like very much
to go to America but if I should
die in the year I feel it all one
should be quite willing to go if [illegible] were
there [illegible] she was quite willing

~~be~~ we could be more willing to go
She suffered very much not so
much general pain but a constant
weakness and gradual wasting
she had gone to a mere skeleton
and we would hear no complaint
except "I am very weak and this
cough is very harassing" having
been gradually going since November
and suffering so much she was
very much afraid of a protracted
illness, at one time she said "I
"feel very unhappy so rebellious
"Father want to go to heaven soon
or get well directly I am so afraid
of having a long illness I do not
know what to do to be more resigned"
and in a few hours afterwards she
said "I am so happy not
quite willing that God should do
as he likes with me" and from
that time to her death she was
all happiness not a cloud to mar
her hopes of heaven not dear [illegible]

She was exceedingly affectionate. Everybody that
knew her & all her schoolfellows seemed to love
her. There was so much meekness & gentleness
about her always and particularly so the
last two or three years. It seems always so
of those we loved best was taken from us
to Mama & also the loss must be irreparable
she being always an invalid was very
much with Mama they seemed quite knit
together their life seemed one. Poor dear Mama
has borne it much better than we anticipated.
But dear Louisa [illegible] must not [illegible]

ons. I fancy I see her then [illegible]
face with such meek forgiving
graceful expression with her
large black eyes so sad - [illegible]
[illegible] and something [illegible] the
of us and she seldom would
speak unless spoken to

Fanny said to her a [illegible] before
her death "do you not think that
you are going to leave us" & she said
"no I do not think I am going
to leave you now but perhaps
[illegible] I am so very weak" and
the same evening she said to
all my cousins and [illegible]
present "I am going you will
all come after me to heaven [illegible] you
It would be nice if we could all
go together but it wd'nt be long before
you'll be there and it will
be delightful when we all meet
as one family in heaven God will
leave you alone mama, he will
take care of you"

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] visit to your aunts
You will come [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] will come and meet [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] will come and meet
the [illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] come
and meet them, [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] they are
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that they [illegible]
here [illegible] dont you [illegible] [illegible] could
that [illegible] are not [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] when they [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] such a [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] affection [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] towards those
[illegible] am [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] on [illegible]
you would [illegible] from the idea
[illegible] [illegible] your [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as if their [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] should be renewed
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] I cannot [illegible] [illegible]

Deerfield [illegible] 10. 1861

My dear Cynthia

have at last found time to answer your letter I ought to have written to you sooner but you have forgiven me for my past negligence I will try to be more punctual in writeing to you henceforth My stay at Whitestown would have been far less pleasant had it not been for you We spent many happy hours together last ~~last~~ winter I often think of them with pleasure Please donot trouble yourself any more about that wood We have no intention of chargeing you for it It was but small pay for all the kindness your Parents bestowed on Father when he first came to this country He never forgot their kindness to him as long as he lived I do miss my dear Father very much it is lonesome here without him not to see him or hear his voice But I ought to be thankful that I have a dear

Mother and kind Brothers to care for me I intend to return their kindness by doing my duty as far as I am able I should like to go to school next term but I can not be spared I think by staying home next winter I shall be better prepared to attend school in a year from now Perhaps you will be my Teacher by that time or at least I hope so. I enjoyed my visit at Penymynydd exceedingly I found the people very kind and obliging I should like to have made a longer stay but I hope that I can next time. We had a pleasant ride home in the evening with the exception of a small shower of rain when we were in Trenton But I was very much disapointed by not seeing you as I had anticipated We thought that Mary and you would have made us a visit before this time, do come and see us as soon as you can We will be very glad to see you We have not made cheese for nearly four weeks but we have had plenty of work to keep us busy We have had considerable spinning work to do lately but we are nearly done the sewing work comes next for us

Mother and John intend going to Clarksville next week if it will be pleasent I think some of my Cousins will come home with them. I suppose that Edward and you will be going to Whitestown next week if you do I hope that Miss Bowen and you will be very good friends We would like to have you come and spend the Holydays with us, try and have Eddie come with you You may have all the welcome that we are able to give I hope this tumult that now spreads a gloom over our once pleasent country may soon draw to a close I think the time is near at hand, when the Slaves may released from bondage, and our country be made better than it is at present. I thank you my dear Cynthia for the kindness you have shown me in sending me such good advice may it not be in vain I feel that I am not doing my duty towards God who has been very kind to me a poor unmerited creature as I am but I hope that my life may be spared that I may do some good in the service of God I want to hear from you do write soon

Remember us as a family kindly to your folks Tell Mary to write to me Mother sends her love to you and hopes you will not forget to come and see us

Receive love from your ever
affectionate friend
Sarah E. Williams

Deerfield. Jan. 10 1852

My dear Cynthia

I improve this favorable opportunity to write a few lines to you hoping these will find you all in good health as they leave us. I wrote to you more then 5 weeks since but have received no answer. I fear you intend to ~~serve~~ treat me as I did you last summer but I hope not. We have been expecting you down to see us before this time. It was to bad that I did not see you last week wednesday I thought to go down to Utica in the eve with my brothers, but it was so stormy that I concluded to stay at home if I had known that I could have seen you had I gone the storm would not have prevented me. I can not get over thinking you might have called to see us by going home and stay a night with us if you could do no more, If you went

home that stormy night I think you must
have felt glad if you reached home in safety
I heard you do not attend school this winter
as you thought of doing when you last wrote.
David was at Steuben last fall, It was late on
a saturday afternoon when he started he spent
the sabbath at Penymynudd thinking to call
and see your folks by returning home but was
disapointed He bought four new cows of
Mr D. Davies beyond Remsen and driving
them home prevented him from calling to
see you. Mother received a letter this week from
her sister in Canida stating that they were all
well at present but her ~~dau~~ daughter had lost her
only little girl she wrote that her two oldest sons
e gitting their companies to be ready at their
country call I hope they will have no occasion
Uncle David received a letter from his
son William he is in Lewisville Kentucky
in an army of 60 thousand He has
been in 2 battles but escaped unharmed
he has not been sick a day since he enlisted
which was last spring

Jan 18

We are making a quantity of clothing in our neighbothood for the volunteers I think the people of Remsen deserve credit for their kindness in sending so many things to the soldiers to keep them warm this cold weather

Cousin David is here making us a visit he sends his best respects to you

You are a precious friend to me
Your pleasant face I want to see
To hear again your cheerful voice
That often made my heart rejoice
When I was sad and homesick too
Some friendly words I had from you
They made me feel you were my friend
My love to you will never end

We want to hear from you do write soon that we may know how you are geting along Do try and make us a long visit this winter we will be very glad to see you Mother and brothers join with me in sending our best respects to your folks and would

pleased to have them make us a visit
We had the misfortune of loseing our good
faithful dog last night ~~som~~ though he
was but a creature still we hated to part
with him he had taken poison by some
unknown means I will be expecting to
hear from you very soon

Receive love from your
ever affectionate friend
Vis E Williams

1867
Deerfield June 15th

My dear Cynthia

Have you almost given up looking for a letter from your friend Sarah I am afraid you have I suppose you think by this time that I have entirely forgotten you but I could not forget you had I wished to I cannot blame you for being *very* *angry* at me for not writing to you before this time but Cynthia dear I hope you will pardon me this time again and not think to hard of your old friend I was thinking of coming up to your house last march and stay a few days but it turned out a disappointment there was an old lady at our house spinning after she finished she went home on saturday and promised to return on tuesday and stay with Mother while I was at Stuben but we did not see nor hear any thing from her for six weeks that put an end to my leaving home for that time Mother was taken sick about the middle of march she was quite unwell for severall weeks so that she could not go from home not as much as to church she is much better now but not as strong as she used to be Ever since we started the Cheese factory we have had plenty of hard work and but little time for pleasure last summer was a very hard one for us we had a large family nearly all the time and it was imposible for us to get a good hired girl I had to work in the factory part of the time and in the house than last Sept we built a Blacksmith shop a few rods from the house and Cousin David Williams has put up business there he has plenty of work he boarded with us through the winter until his Father died since than he stayes with his Mother nights and comes to his work in the morning they think of selling their farm and moveing over near us it will make it mutch harder for them Brother John works on the old farme nearly all the time he comes home nights but he has to go over early in the morning that he may have the milk redy by the time the milkman passes to the factory We have two hands working in the factory and David has to be there the most of his time How is your Fathers health now I hope that he will be able to come to the quarterly meeting next week and that some of you will be sure and come with him Cynthia why cant you come I wish you would and stay with us awhile be sure and stop at our house when you come Libbie Williams is well but her Mother has not been very well through the spring I must now bring my letter to a close by sending my love to all do not forget to keep a goodly portion for yourself if you cannot come to meeting next week I hope you will not forget to answer this as soon as you can do not forget your friends Sarah E Williams

Write Soon

[illegible] Sept 23 [illegible]

My dear Cynthia

I received your letter this afternoon and I was glad that you arrived home safely. After I left you I went to [illegible]'s they made me take supper with them I did not stay long as it was getting late I came [illegible] street called for the horse and came home all right but I did not find company to talk with by coming home It was to bad that you did not stay longer with us when you was here the girls will have to let you come again to finish your visit this fall I think that Jennie and Sarah going

to Hugh was something like Maggie and;
to going to Bemises he did intend going
up yesterday morning and stay with you
until to day thinking to stop at the fair
& by coming home Maggie came over in
the morning and we watched the clouds for
some time at last we concluded it was
to rainy to think of going so far we were
disappointed but I cheered Margaret by
promising to take her up to your house
some time this fall if nothing happens
she was sorry that she had to go home
so soon that night you came home with
mother that she had not more time to
talk with you Mother was quite sick
last night and this morning but she is
some better to night so that she is up
again David did not come home until
Tuesday morning safe and well He
talks of taking his wife to the fair tomorrow
but I do not think I shall go this year

Mr Jim T. Sims does not appear to be much better than when you saw him. I want to write a few lines for the tomb stone leaving your father to translate it and write it as he thinks most proper as we do not feel much like writing at present. Father thinks this hymn would be quite appropriate [illegible]

Over the tide

1 Dear mother don't think of me as in the tomb
For I shall not see its dark shadows and gloom
And I shall not fear through the river so wide
For Jesus will carry me over the tide
For Jesus will carry me over the tide

2 You'll know where to find me dear mother in heaven.
Though every fond tie you have cherished be riven.
You'll follow me home to the land of the blest
Where sighs are not heard, and the weary ones rest.

I'm going to ~~walk~~ live with the angels so fair.
I'll look for you, mother, and wait for you there
3 Where tears do not flow and where death cannot come
Together we'll dwell in that beautiful home

This was sung by the Choir at the funeral
It can be found * in the book called
Bradbury's Fresh Laurels by
Wm B. Bradbury
If this comes to late you can find it in
the next Cenhadwr It is getting late and I
must close by sending our love to all
your [illegible] friend Sarah Evans

From the Jubilee
280 page 3 Brother thou hast gone before us
221 " " There is a calm for those who weep
276 " Brother rest from sin and sorrow
139 Dear mother dont think of me as in the
Church

sung by the grave
[illegible] 119 th
grave
My home is in heaven my rest
is not here &c

Utica June 18th '66

Dear Cynthia,

I have procured some cards for you which I hope will please, if not you must return them, as I purchased them with the privilege of changing, if you preferred anything different.

I am glad you are well, and so pleasantly situated. Jesse and the children are well, and send love to you and Eddie, how nice to have your brother so near, please remember me to him. Ella thinks she can get a piece from her teacher for writing, which you would like. Our scholars are preparing for an exhibition, I will see if I can find something of it.

Yours in haste.

C. A. [illegible]

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Your Friends
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Whitesboro, Dec 30

Dear Cynthia

I thought from your letter that we should see you in a few days. But you do not come, so I must write to let you know that Cynthia is not forgotten, nor do we in our own sorrow forget to sympathize with her. but what shall I say— that I am sorry. yes she knows that. And indeed Cynthia I think yours a great sorrow and hard to bear, How much sorrow suffering and misery human nature endures, don't it seem sometimes that we are creatures of circumstances cast

please write
and see us when
you were come
and try to come
if you can find
like a poet
you by and
come so as to
spend one or two
Sunday and go
with the girls
to the Lodge.
[illegible] day night
[illegible] to them
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] recently. I
[illegible] they ha
[illegible] little
[illegible] girl, qui
[illegible] to the
[illegible] let
them [illegible]
forget [illegible]

out on the sea of life drifting along at the mercy of every wind and wave — Orphans indeed groping our way in darkness without a father's love to cheer or a father's hand to guide - Is it not hard to find in trials the best proff of love - I was feeling so when I saw this little story, 'a man being unfortunate in buisness left his eastern home for the far west, in a little while they had a little daughter born blind, they were very poor and the blind child was the only comfort they had. the father was a wicked man, and had hard thoughts of God for taking all his wealth from him, when the child was about two years old and could just walk alone, the father became crippled could not stir from his bed. one very cold day the mother made a good fire on the hearth left them (the child

asleep in its crib the father in bed) to
go to town for feed. She had not been gone long
when the child awoke got out of its crib
and went toward the fire. her father called
to her but she seemed bewildered only to feel
the warmth of the fire and to be drawn
toward it her father saw a few more steps
and she would be in the flames he could not
get up, and the only way to save her he thought
was to cause her to fall that he might have
time to talk to her. taking a pillow he threw
it at her and she fell. he trying to soothe
and she crying with pain, when the minister
came in the father told him of their hardship
then said God is not a God of love or he would
never send it, the minister looked up and said you
do not love your little girl do you, love her
he said why! I love her better than life. No
said the other or you would never strike her
and cause that dark spot on her face. looking
up with tearful eyes he said I did it because

I loved her and to keep her from a worst fall,
and may not your Father he asked show his
best love to you by sending these hardship as you
did your love to save your child from danger
then. I thought sometimes that I could
feel to trust my Father though all was
dark to me, to know and to feel that it
must be best because doeth it. But I did
not mean to say so much of this when I
began [illegible] is very poorly she has suffered
a great deal for the past week she is now
doctoring of Mrs [illegible]. the girls
are pretty well now. Ruth is teaching
Minnie has began going to School
again Maria and I are at home, we
are going to have a little from sewing now
and we want you and Jennie or one of the
other girls to make us a little visit, tell
Jennie Mrs Annie and all the girls
thinks she and Cynthia can make us a
little happier if they can spend a week
or so with us. Please bring all the sun-
shine you can with you, for we are
rather in the shade, tell Mary Sara
Anna and your parents that we want
like to see them all give them our love
how is Anna now is she at home I thought
of going to see her at Home but thought I
would go up with you give her my love

Mary would think it worth coming from [illegible] to hear it, he [illegible] so [illegible] in one [illegible] it was "[illegible] talk," last Sunday was our Sabbath school concert it was very good but somewhat sad when we remember it was Mr Beecher's last concert here he leaves at the close of this term. Miss Beecher was called away rather suddenly some three weeks ago. Miss Frost has a large class of young ladies Mrs Gray's class & miss the same so [illegible] my little girls and the school in general. Mrs Grayson requested me to give you her love and best wishes so does Miss Hanson (of the Sem.) she said she liked you better than any other girl at school and is very anxious to know if you will be here to school next term. Maggie [illegible] is now in New York. Minnie Jones was here a short time ago. She sends her love to you. If I were to send you all the love I am told to I would not have room to send any for myself. Jimmie and David are well and go to school every day. Ma is very well weeding and taking care of her garden, very anxious to hear war news and afraid every day to hear that some of our brave men have again fallen. She is very much obliged to you for that Conundrum. Pa intends starting away in a few days sends his best regards to you and all the folks so does Grandma says you must come to see us soon. Jimmie and David wishes to be remembered to you all. But I promised to write only short letters so I must stop or forfeit my word. A great deal of love give Jennie [illegible] Eddie a good share write soon. Forever yours Annie

pardon me this time I will try to do better in future. We are quite settled in our quarters [illegible] a large garden and [illegible]

[illegible] health now. I wish you could come and make us a visit before your school is out. I would be careful not to study too steady for fear of making yourself sick again have you had any trouble with your throat since [illegible]

weak that she could hardly walk across the room
she is quite well now. Mr McMartin has lost another
Son from it, little Willie; you will remember seeing
him here. and hear him telling what wonders he
saw at Utica. Cousin Margt and John told
us they enjoyed their visit with you very much. I told
John that I didnt think him to go to see my
wife when I was absent. But Mag told me that
she took good care of him, and I suppose she did
or Jennie would have writen to me about it before
this, you don't know how much I laught about your
lines "Jennie Joggling" I never heard them before.
the only fault I have to find with the letter was
its very shortness. But as I suppose you like short
letters; and I want to please my dear little wife
in all things I will try to be as short as I know ~~I~~
how. the times are so hard that I concluded not
to take Uncle Elis' farm. corn is only worth .10 cts a
bushel west. so you see we could not make much out
of it. Uncle Elias with not return to Whitestown
he is captain of a company of volunteers drilling

them for active service. Father is now at home he came Saturday night after an absence of nearly six weeks. he assures you that his statement of having nooses at the lamp post strictly true in many places that he has been west. Mr Robbins came pretty near to know it by experience in Chicago not long since. he and a friend (Dr Yates) were blaming Lincoln and his administration for bringing about this trouble and so on. When they were waited upon by a Committee who ask'd them their opinion on the subject, they expressed themselves as before. when they were requested to leave town in twenty-four hours. they did not. and at the appointed time they were waited upon again Mr Robbins took the oath of fidelity to the constitution and was permitted to depart in peace. Mr Yates escaped without. they vowed they would hang him and followed him from one hotell to another nearly all night when he hired an Indian to take him out of town. Pa spent nearly a week this time in the State of Missouri he says "we talk of war here but there they feel it." persons living close by each

other are not easy amoment for fear their
neighbors will set their houses on fire. they have
no confidence whatever in one another so great is the
enmity between the union and disunion men,
I reseived a letter from Ruth a short time ago
she says that she is very lonesome being oblige
to bid so many good byes to her friends that have
enlisted, nothing gives her the "blues" so as saying
good bye. I dont wonder I saw many bid their
friends good bye saying perhaps they would never
meet again but to remember that they died in
a good cause. Mother is indignant with Samuel
Robberts and wonders that a "welch" man should
be so deluded as to think anyone better off in
bondage then freedom. as to me you know I
never thought a weltch man better then some
other man but I am surprice and truly sorry
that any Clergy-man would say that. that he knows is
false I wish you could have heard the discourse
that Mr Pall delivered on the the duty of
American citizens it was first-rate I asure you

[illegible] your letter saying you were not be[illegible] that week. I thought I should be glad to hear you were not coming. When it came I was oh so disappointed for I certainly thought you were coming and that I would tell you why I hoped you would not come, soon after my letter was mailed [illegible] came home and told us that there was [illegible] cases of small pox in Whitestown I should have written to you of it by the next mail but was afraid you had started and it would only make your folks worry a good deal without doing any good, we all went [illegible] the services were very good, I think [illegible] as ever if not better than any that they [illegible] Chaplain [illegible] before the [illegible] [illegible] subject [illegible] and he [illegible] [illegible] on [illegible] [illegible] as the [illegible]

almost every one [illegible] killed or wounded Elige Woodward and Wallie Lobbins are being wounded. Vinie Whetmore is reported wounded, last sunday week I was to Whitestown and went to see a young girl who had the consumption she felt sure I should never see her alive again but she was not afraid to die as she was going home, a year ago you could not find a healthier looking girl than Hattie Porter but she is gone for 16 weeks before her death she could not sleep more than 2 or 3 minutes at a time and suffered a great deal, Pa came home week last saturday morning he talks of going to [illegible] Dr [illegible] is [illegible]ing a few days at New Hartford he don't seem strong at all this summer I hope the visit will do him good we all feel badly to see him so weak, [illegible] [illegible] folks all well [illegible] Love is your brother Eddie I hope you can make us a visit Harry and every one of you [illegible] all we were so sorry you could not come down [illegible] during the summer [illegible] write soon [illegible]

and.
as she is thought to be, not what she should be,
that woman was equal with man and her
rights were the rights of humanity. It was
not woman rights or man rights we went
for human rights, and woman has almost
always been viewed thought of as anything but
a human being, by man, some treats her as
a slave, making her to do all the hard work,
others think of her as a kind of angel without
wings, a parlor idol to be complimented
and caressed by him until he is tired, but
very few make her his best friend and fellow-
worker, and it is so much the fault of woman
herself for often her highest aim in life is to be
married and get an establishment, the great
question asked about the intended gentleman
was is he rich, and who can wonder that there
so many broken hearted wives. She should be more
independent and feel that she can a great
deal [illegible] more than [illegible] better than she does,
she can do, what a shame that so many women
with only a needle between them and starvation
are obliged to toil 18 hours in the day for only 10c

what ~~a~~ inciting protest to keep a busy young girl in the way of virtue, how many young girls with heroism unequalled had chosen starvation to dishonor, he did not think women who [illegible] it would [illegible] would be [illegible] of them and so many needs but in that they [illegible] would get out women should be bookkeepers and [illegible] and everything that was not too much for her strength to do [illegible] the privilege of being no danger of her stepping out of her sphere, "but some say would you have women go to the ballot box" no danger of any noble minded woman meddling with our politics while they are so dirty, or if she does she will make them something better. Mr Beecher before the [illegible] I didnt like so well he wanted to prove it ~~was~~ more attractive to destroy than to build, ~~note~~ how many labored to destroy intemperance how few to build temperance when there was nothing to destroy the charm was gone so with the slavery many wanted to destroy it but few would tell us what to do with the slave after it was destroyed, he would not tell them he said neither he was for

against temperance, for against slavery and
after he had talked to them an hour, but no more
of Chapin or Beecher. The church was very crowded
and the young ladies and gents all done your
best, I wished you could have heard it
you would have enjoyed it much. I am very
sorry your sister is so poorly and hope the cange
of air and treatment will do her a great deal of
good; does Jennie write encouraging of her. Monday am
Fannie and I went to Utica Friday and saturday,
I was busy so left my letter untill today. I ought
to have written before but I was so tired after the
anniversary and there was always somthing to do when
I thought of writing please pardon the delay. I
should like to attend your aid society think you are
doing well. Fannie and I got 14 hankerchief
for the soldier when we were down, the man we
bought them of told us Dr Corey preached of
the wants and suffering of the soldier as he saw
at the front, how much the societies are doing and
how much more is to be done. I think more of
our friends in the army has fallen in the last
few weeks then during the year before indeed

[illegible] killed or wounded Eliza Woodward and Willi

Monday Morn

Dear Cynthia

I must write a line to you. How did you get home, I was sorry not to be able to see you on the cars. but suppose one of your Cousins did. I got down to the depot just in time, it didnot rain but very little when I got home, I was good deal amused on the cars by the talk and

comb I will send your money and other
comb next time. write soon love from
all this hair was marked Lizzie V
Robberts. did you find all the folk.
well there a kiss for you on this
papper if you can find it. Annie

Cynthia Everett

Saturday night 27

Dear Cynthia

Yours [illegible] was received a few days ago - I had almost made up my mind that you were not going to write to me again - I had waited expecting to see or hear from you so long - and was much disappointed - as Mother was poorly, and she thought a visit from you and Jennie would do her so much good - as I think I told in my letter. She didnt believe you got my letter, you would have written if you could not come - and wanted I should write again. I felt badly a bout it that you could not come, Willie has been very very sick for six weeks so sick and weak that it seems as if

She could hardly live from one day to another
and is in such intense pain from her face that she
cannot rest day or night only when under the
influence of Morphine. She has been more com-
fortable to day and is quiet now, it is 12 oclock
and I sitting up alone so I thought I would try
to write a few lines to you. I think Nellie
took a little cold or got to tired the last time
she went to Utica to see Dr [illegible], and that
made her worse or hasten this attack. Dr [illegible]
Doctors her now. I am sorry your Father
and [illegible] are so poorly. give my love to
all and please write soon. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] before [illegible]

[illegible] a lock [illegible]

feel it [illegible]

that some of [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] it [illegible]

[illegible] and

that [illegible]

[illegible]

my father [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] be [illegible] discouraged. But
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] been [illegible]
taken with a chill [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] from the [illegible]
to the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
that it [illegible] against [illegible]
he [illegible] be the last few days
[illegible] thing [illegible] better the [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible] every day [illegible]
~~again~~ [illegible] morning - As soon as he
came in the house he said he
was not as sick in the afternoon
when he came up [illegible] night he
was better. That day [illegible] [illegible]
was put the [illegible] to [illegible] -
he knew nothing [illegible] about [illegible]
I waited about [illegible] until I [illegible]
Grace was got up. At 2 o'clock
there was a phlegm [illegible] in
the throat. I went for Dr G-
he came up - but [illegible] he
was sent for Dr [illegible]. [illegible]
and then Dr Evans stayed the
rest of the night. I [illegible] had
before that that he would be
better. Dr Evans said he [illegible]
live 3 or four [illegible] [illegible] -
for which [illegible] the Dr [illegible]

[illegible] Lasts from [illegible]

Three weeks [illegible]

to the Brown & breakfast [illegible]

[illegible] 3 or 4 [illegible]

[illegible]

3 o'clock [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the Cold [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

to carry [illegible]

all day [illegible]

[illegible] to see [illegible]

6 O'CLOCK P.M.
JAN 6 / 21

DEAR AUNT CYNTHIA,_ I GOT A GUN A ROOSTER A KNIFE A TRUMPET A BALL, A BIRD WHISTLE A WATCH, A TIN SAVINGS BANK ON THE CHRISTMAS TREE. I WILL TELL YOU ANOTHER TIME WHAT I GOT TO WEAR. AUNT ANNA AND I MADE 10 PIN FLATS, 6 PIN CUSHIONS AND A MAT FOR MAGGIE TO PUT ON THE TREE. I THANK YOU FOR MY NICE PRESENT THAT YOU SENT ME.

JAN. 11_ THERE WAS

A LAWSUIT AT UNCLE LEWIS. MAGGIE AND CALLIE WERE HERE ALL DAY.

NOW I WILL TELL YOU WHAT I GOT ON THE TREE TO WEAR. A PAIR OF WRISTLETS FROM MAGGIE, GLOVES FROM AUNT JANE, A BOX OF PAPER COLLARS FROM TOMMY, TWO NECKTIES FROM ANNA, A SCARF, AND A STORY BOOK AND A WRITING BOOK BESIDES.

DO YOU HAVE ANY FLOWERS THERE NOW.

JOHNNIE.

Jan [illegible]

Dear Aunt Cynthia.

I hope you will excuse me for not writing before. I have not had more time. I made 5 mats and 2 pairs of wristlets for the Christmas tree. 3 slippers. a bible book and some ~~[illegible]~~ tatting for me. I bought Johnny a watch and a little "catch buck and squeak" And Aunt Anna a ~~[illegible]~~ apron and a beautiful [illegible] and Eliza a fish and a rattle for my cousin Lyman. and Emie a pin I got a pair of earrings and a pin and a basket and a little chain candle stick and ~~[illegible]~~ a box of furniture and two books and a [illegible] and a [illegible] music book and a scissors and a necklace and some ribbons and a little lamb and a mat and a pin cushion

and I got a rifle and a little
bare foot boy Clafte got a teakettle
and ~~dd~~ pot and a broom and a doll
and a little chair and a flat-
iron and the iron holder and a
little carriage and a rooster
and some dishes and a spittoon
and some rubbers and a trumpet
and a ball and a vase and
2 little coins. I ~~a~~ am sorry that
you did not pop out of the
letter ~~[illegible]~~ I am afraid that
I have forgotten a great many
things — Maggie went home yesterday
without quite finishing this. She said
she intended to thank you for
that pretty glove penwiper. You
gave us all a very pleasant surprise.
Jennie said the things made her want
to see you. Your niece Maggie

and sister Jennie

as I answered
yours so
soon the fire
I spoke about
was not at
uncle P we
all send
love to you
and a cont many
Good by
Maggie
[illegible]
[illegible]
to mother
[illegible]

Dear Aunt Cynthia

I thought that I would answer your letter. I was very glad to get it you may know you asked me to tell you more about Lyman he is down here last wednesday and he is [illegible] and may he is avery pretty little boy how do you like his name, he is named after his grand pa smith, I dont like his name very [illegible] you ask? Aunt Mary [illegible] likes it Callie wants me [illegible]

[illegible] friend [illegible]
[illegible]
home [illegible]
went up [illegible]
[illegible]
of a fire they
saw last night
on coming
home night
in the direct-
ion of Uncle
Pierces and
it frightened
them a good
deal and letters
Thomas letters
soon

[illegible] for her ribbon and pinflat I
thank you very much for my pen
wiper Lyman laughs a good deal
and plays [illegible] when are you coming
home I have not yet heard from
grandpa they are all well up
there pa and ma have ~~got~~ gone
to [illegible] Uncle Pierces and Aunt
[illegible] and Lyman were down to Robert
[illegible] Saturday night Onie has been
visiting to [illegible] and to Uncle [illegible] to
Aley [illegible] mistakes there is says

many
lot

Monday Feb 27 /71

Dear Aunt Cynthia and Aunt
Mary As Maggie is writing
to you I suppose it is best
for me to "drop a line" in
the same envelope. How soon
are [illegible] coming home Aunt
C[illegible] Aint you coming home
[illegible] her Aunt Mary. Are you
[illegible] aving nice times in Au
k[illegible] Uncle Hiram's "little boy"
[illegible] getting to be quite a big
boy. I think that it would
[illegible] to come out if it was
[illegible] to see [illegible]

here, Uncle Eddie's baby, Uncle
Pierce's baby, Cousin Williams
Pierce's baby Robbie Hughes o
and O I cant think of
half of them. How does [illegible]
& M. L. get along Doctoring
Is that mans hand any
better. we would like to hear
from it. Maggie h a
small present for Aunt Mi together
but she could not get
for it in her letter. So
says that she will send
by some one that is going to N
York soon. I hope that you will
Please excuse bad writing a
as I a hu

We have got one little cow so that we have have plenty of fresh milk. Our hens lay 5 or 6 eggs ~~ev~~ery day. Father thinks of getting some shingles to shingle the barn of Mr Lewis Gleasman, that Lydia Margaret Griffiths is still getting weak and weaker Uncle Will

thia [illegible] getting better Well I

that I must stop as

not well.

Good Bye with

love from all

from your aff. Nephew

Onie

Whitestown Tenn May 14, 1856.

My dear Cynthia

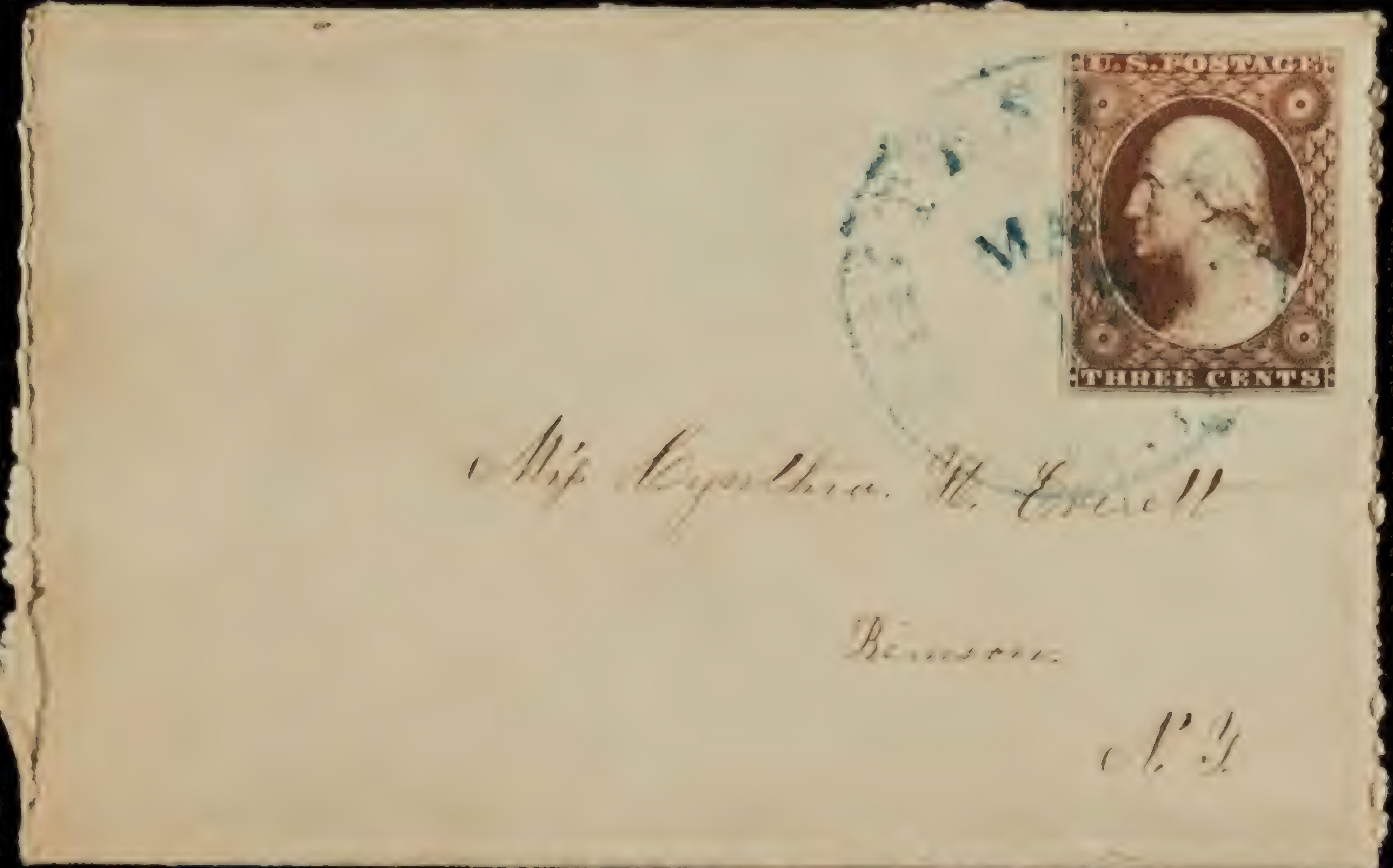
Very glad was I to get your letter that you wrote some time ago. I dont know what you will think because I have not writen I would think that you would do rite if you would not write to me one more time again. I have comenced two or three times to write but have not finished it. I know that I canot write any thing that will edify you or that will be worth reading but I hope that you will have patient with me a little while how I would love to peep in at you all and see what you are all doing. I do get lonesome once and while to see you all, I do not know how long it will be before that time will come I have been thinking that would try and see if I could get some thing

to do vacation so I could earn something
myself perhaps you think that I ought to be
contented as I am but my intention is to help
those that are very destitute, and cannot attend
meeting on that account. there thousand that
are thus and we are serrond round with so many blessing
dont you think that I cannot do something
for them

our school posses of something pleasant the
somethings that are not so pleasant as they
might be, we have good meeting there seems
to be a good of interest in them there has
been some that we trust have met with a
change of heart. and there are many more I
trust that are allmost persuaded to leave
all for the sake of Jesus they seem to feel
that there is something in religion that
the world canot give. I think that if
we dont have a powerful revivle here this
term it will be on the acount of professers
it will not be because God is not with
us I feel that his holy spirit is striving
with many pray for us here that we may
live daily so the world will take knowledge

that we have trust in Jesus I feel daily to consecrate myself anew to Jesus and be a devoted disciple, and live more to his glory that I may exemplify the religion that I profess. I know that if we are anxious to have those that are out of the ark of safety be brought to know Jesus. that we must warn them to flee from the wrath to come. it will not be sufficient to merely pray for them but to point them to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the of the world.

I have been thinking of [illegible] myself the rest of the time I dont know what. Emmy will tell me a word at [illegible] soon that I can hear the [illegible] the [illegible] must love it all and [illegible] the same your [illegible] from your Sis Lottie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THREE CENTS

Miss Cynthia M. Terrill

[illegible]

N. Y.

Miss Cynthia Everett
Benson
Oneida Co.

Williamstown June [illegible]

My dear Cousin

I received your kind letter last Saturday evening, you may be assured that it was happily received as it was [illegible] a feast. How are you all progressing at home since there is Anna? I have not heard a word from them since I came. Send Peter [illegible] tell him that I would like to hear [illegible] heard with [illegible] one of her long letters such as she used to [illegible] Give my love to them. Has you

sick. I will not urge you to write because I know that you have as much as you can do. it is not because I do not want to hear from you so often. It seems that if I had wings I would fly to see all once more. Do you think that he will recover & can I want to see him. Kiss him for me. Father

heard from Cousin John and how are
they all getting along?

I was very much pleased to
hear what you are doing in the
missionary cause. I think that it is
an excellent idea. How I should like
to be with you at once and I
am [illegible] Corth [illegible] the idea that
I may do some little good with God's
help. Oh if I could only say something
to them that are living in sin
that would be the means of bringing
them to turn to [illegible] we are going
to have a missionary lecture I
think that will be very interesting.

Wednesday our lecture proved a
very good one Mr P. had pictures
of the Gods that they worship

in Hindustan they do need all
that we can do for them.

Tell Lewis that I feel slighted
because he did not send me
an invitation would you not?

give my love to all our friends
and accept the same yourself

Lottie

Monday Evening has the pen laid
aside when your epistle were waiting to
hear from me. I fear that you think
that I do not keep my promise but I
am very busy. perhaps you can
sympathise with a poor school girl oblig
to retire at times but I think that
a it is best our school is prospering
finely it is really interesting to
see so many around the board self

half of the term. Henry sed that
I should not any longer as I heard
in the hall. Tell Sarah that
I would like to hav hears com
and make that visit she promi
to I. I expect to room alone the rest
of this term Tell Mary that Mis
very is here that use to be ther
she attended school hear she wan
to her very much.

Monday last night was the
first that I heard of your afflic
these afflitions however severe
they are all come from God he
sends them upon us for our good
that it may brings us near to
him. O what great consolation it
must be that he was a Christ
I have not heard any of the
partienlars how long has he bee

Dear Brother

I received your letter

last week. I was very glad to

hear from you [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of paper [illegible]

[illegible] weather. I [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

There are some [illegible] [illegible] the

and besides the [illegible] [illegible]

there has been only that [illegible]

employment [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] there are many [illegible] [illegible]

& [illegible] that are [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] from the [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible]

[illegible] breakfast [illegible]

[illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] to give them [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on that night, we slept there

[illegible] happy [illegible] morning [illegible]

[illegible] all

t them [illegible] that the

[illegible]

Mr Ward said that [illegible]

[illegible] up [illegible] again [illegible]

[illegible] it a [illegible] morning, [illegible]

[illegible] that [illegible]

[illegible] today, it was [illegible] 8

past seven when we got home

[illegible] room. I dont think that

we did any. my cousin [illegible]

possible say about it. [illegible]

think that we could [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] to do the

[illegible] that [illegible].

What we neglected [illegible]

we could and they died, [illegible]

[illegible] as some of the rest

[illegible], could we feel that

[illegible] to [illegible] his Child

[illegible] of [illegible] from [illegible]

[illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible] your [illegible] letter

[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] the rest of [illegible]

Mt Lebanon Thursday

Dear Brother

Long time it has been since I
I have received a letter from any of you.
I feel afraid that you are sick some of you
I do hope that you will write to me. I have
written several times to you and have not
received any answer. I have written twice to
Uncle for a dismission from the Church
I am anxious to know whether I have had one or not
I dont know whether Uncle has received
them or not or whether he thinks they are
not worth his notise. If this is the case
I dont blame him for not writing

it is nearly four weeks since I united with the Baptist Church, and I dont know whether my name is cut of from the Church do write and tell me or is it on there yet I enjoy my mind very well most of the time, the Sabbath that I was Baptised was the happiest day in my life how the light poured in my soul as I came out of the water.

Perhaps you would like to know how I spend the sabbath I usualy get as early as any other day of the week, and read till breakfast time then I prepare for Church then we get together and read and sing till time for meeting. I stay to Bible class at noon and to preaching in the afternoon then I come down and get someth to eat and then I go to york vill to sabeth school I have a sweet little class they all seem glad when it is time for them

to begin with there lessons which I expect
it is most time for spring meeting
so you see my time is most all [illegible]
the School increasing very fast then we
goes out around to hunt these up
those that is lay at home we find many
that are poor and have nothing to wear
then we get them some close then we have
the pleasure of seeing them in school
next sabeth when you write tell me
whether you have sabeth school there
give my love to all and accept the
same your self Lottie

January 28, 1883

Dear Sis.

Seeing you wrote me the longest letter, I will answer yours first, Sis I am under a thousand obligation to you for remembering your homesick cousin, that is far away from all her folks, I went down to the dinner table, but I had not the least idea I should be so fortunate as to have a letter. but just as I was sitting down our good Sis put a letter on my plate. I could not begin to eat untill I had glanced over it to see how you all were, You said in yours, that you had written me two letters I never got but one, Sis, and that one I answered. I think it is singular that our letters are miscarried *so* often I have written three letters to Sarah. two to Jane, one to Mary one to Margaret, and never got an answer to any of them, I *presume* the falt must be in the postoffice. (not in my cousins) Yes Sissie I *do* want to see my little neice, I have written to Mary *ever so many* times to find out how the "little thing" looks, but she has ~~never~~ not even mentioned that she has a little baby. I think she is *really* too bad.

Tell Anna that I will *not* have her make fun of poor Betsy Barkis after she has lived at my house so long.

You ask me if I enjoy myself: well yes, as much as I can away from all my *dear* friends. I do not mean that I have not any dear friends at the Glen, for I sincerely think I have or at least I *hope* I have. but they are not *home folks* after all.

You said you saw Mrs Thomas Thomas in her new home, but you forgot to tell me who Mrs Thomas was. next time you write *please* tell me who she is.

Did Sarah wanted to know what the Dr said to me for eating molasses? well, I met him in the hall and "owned up,, so he said I was a good girl. he is a going to take me a sleighing next week if the sleighing continues good. O; he is as good as Dr Gross *I* think.

Do I wish you would write & tell me just how Sarah is, whether she walk much & how her back is & all about her. I feel anxious to hear how she is getting along. tell her I can simpathise with her, for I have had the tooth ache considerable since I have been here, Tell Anna I will try and answer her letter next week I must close now for it is getting late *kiss all* your folks for me kiss Sarah *twice* Give my love to all enquiring friends. with much love I assign myself your aff Cousin Lizzie.

Jefferson July 8th

Dear Cousin.

It is nearly a month since I received your good kind letter, and I ought to have answered it before, but I do have so much writing to do, I can not write to my friends very often. I have twelve regular correspondence, and there are several I write to occasionally, so you must know my spare time is pretty much taken up, I hope you will not think I slight you more than I do the rest of my friends, for I do not.

We are having very pleasant, but exceedingly warm weather; everything is very backward, (that is vegetation) this season, on account of having so much cold weather in the spring, and so little rain the first part of the summer; but now they are taking a start, and are coming along tolerable well.

How did the fourth pass with you? why, the "Maine Law," was to take effect on the fourth, was it not? well I hope it will do good, and I think it must; we need the "Law," bad enough, in *this* state; we have a saloon nearly opposite our house, where they sell intoxicating drink, and it is thronged nearly all the time.

Do you and Sarah intend to spend the summer where you are? I hope that treatment will do as much for you, as water treatment did for me. Cousin Ollie's health is improving we expect to have her come home in September, Mollie Reed (one of the cousins) is a going down to York state on a visit, and Ollie and Grandma Jackson will return with her; I am anticipating fine times when we get Ollie here. Cynthia dear, you *must not* have the blues, dont you know you will not make as fast progress towards getting well, if you allow yourself to be sad, cheer up coz. look only on the bright side of the picture, remember the darkest time is just before day, you think it is easier to preach, than it is to practice, well, I will allow it is, but I flatter myself, that I kept up tolerable good spirits when I was a patient.

Can you give me cousin Johns postoffice address
Aunt feels so anxious to hear from

I thought I would write them if
I could find how to direct the
letter.

Is Mary Lewis with you yet?
if she is, please remember love to
her. Please tell me just how you
and Sarah are, when you write.
Aunt sends love. you kiss Sarah
for me and get Sarah to kiss you
and charge the same to your cousin

Lizzie

Jefferson, Dec [illegible]

Dear Cousin,

How much I would give if I could spend this evening at your house; I do so want to see you all, it seems as if I could not wait until spring; but time passes so swiftly, it will be here before we are prepared for it; here it is, one year since I parted with my friends in [illegible] County, and it seems but a short time. If I am alive and well, I intend to start for New York state about the first of June, and I shall try and persuade [illegible]

Ellie to accompany me, if she
does, we will not reach Salem until
sometime in July; we have several
visits to make on the road, and
a good long visit to the "Glen;" if
Ellie goes down with me, she will
remain with us through the
summer; I am so glad that
sister Mary is a going to housekeep-
ing for then I can have Ellie with
me part of the time.

Is Sarah and
Ann at home now, if so, what fine
times you must have, so many
sisters together; how I wish I was
so situated that I could be with
my sisters, I think I should enjoy
that above everything; if I only had
a father's house that I could call
home, to go to, and take my friends
to, when I feel disposed, cousin
Annie, you do not know how to
prize your home, and never will

until you are deprived of one; it is not a very pleasant thought to feel that you have no place that you can call home, especially when you are not well and able to take care of yourself; where my sister lived is home, I felt as though I had one. Aunt and her children very kindly offered me a home with them, as long as I wished to stay, but I do not feel that I would be doing right to accept it, if I was strong and able to pay for my board. I should feel differently about it. I can putter around all day, but am not able to do hard work, such as cleaning the floor or washing.

You have heard me speak of my friend Alice Hill, have you not? She has been here visiting me in the last two weeks, I wish all my friends could become acquainted with her, she is such a dear good girl; she has gone on to Wis to live with her brother, who is residing there.

I was very glad to hear that Lillie is so pleased with her school by her letter I should judge she was enjoying herself much, she always writes as if she was in good spirits. Poor John how I pity him; it must be so discouraging to a young man just starting in the world, and I have heard that the fever and ague being so, it is almost impossible to take it up without renewing the constitution when you write them, please give them my love. My sheet is nearly full and I guess I will conclude for this time. Please give a great deal of love to Uncle, Aunt, and all the cousins & Tommie if he is there and accept a heart full for yourself

[illegible] [illegible], in his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]; [illegible] [illegible] give my love to her, and [illegible] her I hope to have the pleasure of forming her acquaintance before a great while. Have they gone to housekeeping, or are they boarding at your house.

You have quite a walk, if you walk from your house to your school I suppose it is cold in the cold weather is it not? it seems to me it must [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], your health may be better than it was before you went to Saratoga, or you would not be able to endure it, I think. You [illegible] not had such cold weather as we have for the last three weeks, Uncle says he has never known it to be so cold in this [illegible] [illegible], and he has been here nearly twenty years; we have also had considerable snow, so it has [illegible] [illegible] sleighing [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]. If it had
been still [illegible], he could go
[illegible] as fast as [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] it would [illegible]. [illegible] if it is
[illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], you know [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
it.

What is the name of the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible]? [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] yet. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] if [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], I [illegible] so many [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible]
it to [illegible], [illegible] to New York.
I think it very [illegible] that it
should [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Please give my love to [illegible],
[illegible] [illegible] and all the [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
friends. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Boggs.

Charleston, S. C.

Miss Everett.

Dear Miss;-

I must really ask you to excuse me for not answering your letter. I have been thinking of thee daily; sometime I ~~im~~imagine that I see you sitting in your place teaching the class. I miss you very much. I hope that you are enjoying better health, than you were. I was very glad to hear from you, but I am very sorry that I have been so neglectful, you had to speake to me about it. I am improving very much in my studeis. On the 22d of March we commenced to study, Preparatory Latin Prose Book, Hansons. In Geometry we are advancing more than in any other study; we are nearly half through book-fourth. This ~~was~~ is really an unlucky teram; for three teachers have left us since the commencement, you, Misses Wood and Martin. It is a great discouragement to me, and the rest of the scholars too. Mr Warren is going to have an examination soon, and expects to examine our class in Caesar and Geometry. A few are writting compositions to be read and spoken on that day. Mrs. Warren is working very hard to make us understand that rhetoric and composition. All are well, except Paul, who, is now sick abed, but not very though. William was complaining a few days ago; but now he is as jolly as usual. I hope to see you again, if not on earth below where sin and pain can com no more, All of the scholars their respects to you,

Respectfully Your Scholar,

Alonzo G. Townsend

Norfolk Va april 11,

Dear Teacher I receiv my self
to pen you afew lines to let
you know that I am well and hope
that these few lines may find you
the same miss Everett three Teachers
has commence teaching school here
Miss Rogers and miss Jenks teach at
And they charges one dollar a mon
and Mr Hopper has taken your sunday
school Class I have not ben goin
to School for the last two weeks for I
have bin out into the country.
Mr Fisher has not commence preaching
yet and they havent got no Regular preacher
yet I hope I shall go to school soon I
would like to hear from you very much
and soon and Lizie ~~[illegible]~~ is not goin to
School yet he ~~was~~ had a [illegible] here
for three days the trees are all growing
and the garden are prospering and [illegible]

all the people are pleasing them
Mother and sister [illegible] is their love to
you and Ted also. You must excuse
my hand writing but I hope you
they understand [illegible] all that to say
at present [illegible] you remain your affection
. friend Henrietta Burtlett

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Reamsen July 2, 1861

Dear teacher

it rained all night last night and it rained this morning when I came to school.

Did you get home before the rain last night? there ~~was~~ were 11 at school yesterday and only three to-day. We have taught school in the woods once.

They are a going to raise a pole by the corner.

Jane M. Jones.

[illegible] 18[illegible]

[illegible] Cousin:

I hope that by this time you have had a good rest, and [illegible] the "[illegible]" [illegible] of pleasing you [illegible] Martha [illegible], is making [illegible] for [illegible] that Sunday at the [illegible]; our Sunday school is now about the same as when you left. My [illegible] are [illegible]. The first day in [illegible] from half past [illegible], next [illegible] [illegible] of eleven till half [illegible]; when we come up from [illegible] the first class [illegible] till twenty [illegible] past nine. [illegible] till [illegible] minutes [illegible] we are dismissed. [illegible] I feel very much [illegible] having the same routine from week to week [illegible] best way to do, is to do the best you can to-day, and let tomorrow take care of itself. All of our classes are well. I suppose you [illegible] heard that Miss Ward has left us on account of the death of her father; it was a sore misfortune [illegible] to have both teachers leave us at one time, but we had to do the best we could. Our exercise for tomorrow is, to write a discription of what we saw to-day, in the form of a letter and give it to Miss [illegible] to be corrected. All the family are well and send their best wishes to you. We have a holiday [illegible] day. [illegible] this [illegible] letter [illegible]

Please write to me as soon as possible, [illegible] your [illegible] in the future. I suppose [illegible] Warren has told you [illegible].

Your affectionate scholar

Cornelius.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 24. 1871.

My Dear Miss Everett;

I am very sorry that you are going away. The only way I can express my ratitude is by writing. I hope that you will soon be better and able to come to us again. You must write and let me know how you are getting along. If you feel well enough give Miss Ward your address for me. We will ~~feel~~ our loss very much but still it is the "Lord let him do what he thinks best.

Very Respectfully
M. C. Inyer.

Charleston S. C. Febth 7. 1871

My ever dear Teacher

it affords me a deal of pleasure to write to you and tell you how I feel at the present time My dearest Miss Everett I am trying to be a good girl and to do what is right and I hope that it will not be long before I become a member of the Plymouth Church. though I miss you very much my dear teacher I try to be contented I learn my sabbath school lessons and try to understand them I like my new teacher very well but she is not like you. I had a sweet dream the other night I drempt that you was not gone but that you was teaching your class about the old old story that sweet old story I will never forget the happy moments that I have spent in your presence how I wish that those happy times would come once more oh I do wish that I had wings then I would fly to you and see your Father and mother my dear Miss Everett I hope that you are now enjoying the pleasures of health. do kiss your Father and Mother for me and tell them that I love them because I love their affectionate daughter.

dearest Miss Everett I am yours

Elizabeth

H. Gregorie.

direct your letter 92 Rutledge A.v

to Mary [illegible]

Sumter County Mar. 28. 187[illegible]

My Dear Miss Everett;

I wrote to Miss Wood some time ago thinking I would hear from her soon and you also; but I have heard since that Miss Wood has lost her father and she has gone home for good. You must not think hard of me for not writing to you before now. I hope to hear from you soon. I am getting on nicely with my school. I had about 40 pupils but the No. are reduced now on the account of planting.

I like the country very much indeed. I think if you were up here you would like it too

I am enjoying myself delightfully. I walk four miles evry day and I think it is very good excercise.

Please let me know how the school are getting on. because I am very much interested in it Give my kind regards to Mr & Mrs Warren and tell them I am doing well with my school

I passed my examination very well I took the second grade that is $35.00 a month out of it I have to pay $10.00 a month for board

Remember me to my class

I remain yours truly

Lydia Rollison

Charleston, S.C. Apr. 7. 1871.

My dear Teacher:

I have really neglected you but I hope you will excuse me when I say that I was very busy preparing for the examination, and that I did not wish to write you untill after the ex.

Yesterday it came off. Every thing passed off nicely. The school commenced at the usual time, 9 o'clock. About half past nine, the exercises began in the different rooms. The rooms were well filled with visitors.

We had nothing to do, until they

went into the chapel.

The exercises continued with success until 2 o'clock when we had recess.

At half past 2 o'clock went into the chapel, examination in Geometry and Latin. We read two of Cicero's Works and some extracts, (by the way, you know we have finished our small Latin, we have now Hanson's Preparatory Latin Prose Book) from Caesar. This was followed by original pieces, which were written and read by Corn. Scott - Process of Education, Martha Gadsden - Salutatory, Monimia M^c Kinley - Home, N. Peace - Education, W^m Hart - Martin Luther, Mishow - Washington.

Afterward Mr. Warren gave out the certificates. And some remarks were by the gentlemen present and we dismission.

The whole was good and pleased every one. All acquitted themselves creditably.

Miss Everett this is only a sketch as I have not the time to write a lengthy account.

I will write the next time.

I must close now, for I'm called away to do some work,

I am, very truly yr

Chodsar
J. S. Nishan

Monday P.M.

Miss Everett.

The cause of my miscommunication this morning was regret for the weakness of my memory. I learned the names of all the cities in France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, & the Kingdom of Great Britain, and this morning, when I found that I had forgotten them, I involuntarily exclaimed: "I learned them once". I was looking at Hutchinson when I spoke; and this is "the head, and front of mine offense."

I am with respect
Your Dull Scholar
Samuel a Jacks

Miſs Everett.
Present.

Miss C. H. Everett
At School

Pauls Mission

Legal - permitted by law. as A legal bill. a legal constitution, a legal document.

National - pertaining to a nation - as national currency. national flag, national constitution.

Issued - put into circulation: sent for-th. as currency is issued, the books were issued, it was issued.

Smooth - even on the surface: not rough. as, a smooth table, Smooth glass, the paper is smooth.

Accommodating - disposed to oblige: kind. as, those men are very accommodating, it is quite accommodating, William, be accommodating.

Fibrous - consiting of fibers. Wood is fibr-ous, cotton is fibrous, paper is fibrous.

Over.

Porous- consisting of pores, as, man is porous (his body), trees are porous, paper is porous.

Pliable- Yielding to pressure. as, India-rubber is pliable, spone is pliable, paper is pliable.

Parallelogramic- having the form of a parallelogram- as, a parallelogramic figure, that monument is parallelogramic, it is parallelogramic.

Level- flat: a flat surface- as, this floor is level, the desk is level, a level plain,

Combustible- capable of burning, Wood is combustible, combustible substances, iron is combustible.

Purchasable- capable of being purchased- Butter is purchasable, ink is purchasable, stamps are purchasable.

Salable - capable of being sold as, Shoes are salable, bricks are salable, rice is salable.

Yours Respectfully

Paul Histow.

Dear Friend

I wish you would come up to [illegible]
next week so you could show me how to do
some of the sums in my Arithmetic I could not
do and the school master is very [illegible]
and he has not time to show me how to
do some of them so I want a little information
and we [illegible] today. I will come [illegible]
[illegible] night from school if you [illegible]
must send me a note by let Polly ~~[illegible]~~ every
~~[illegible]~~
it be sent

[illegible] your friend
Mary Hughes
Read by ~~[illegible]~~

Present my best respects to Eugenia
[illegible]

Charleston, S.C.,
May 25, 1871.

Miss E. H. Everett;

Dear Teacher;—

As it is your request that each scholar should let you have a composition or letter from from him once more for your correction; I thought that you would be please to have what I write you. I have written to you some-time since, but I've not received an answer as yet; though I've been waiting patiently. There has been a deal of good done here since you left us.

Many have been brought
nearer to the Saviour and
I am glad to say that I
too have been admitted into
his kingdom: I simply mention
this as I think that you
love to here of all who are
trying to live like Christ.
There has been a great
Improvement in school, for
I feel as though every
scholar has improved as much
as I. To-morrow is our last
day for school this term
but ~~our~~ my class will be
taught for two months
longer by in Greek and
Latin by Mr. Ford, who will
not go away until August.
I hope that you are

better now than when you
left. ~~A~~ All the family are
well excepting Mrs. Ford, who
for the last two or three
days has been sick. I thought
that I saw your picture
before me many times,
but there it was not.
I may see you this summer
if you remain at New
York because I expect
to come out then if it
be possible,

Scholar

I Remain Your obedient,

A. G. Townsend

B. 175

Charleston S. C., Feb. 13. /71.

My Dear, Kind Teacher:

I would have written you before, but, thinking that you were not at home long enough to be comfortably settled, I refrained from writing.

I do, with all my heart wish that the change will do you good. I was really very much pleased when Mrs. Warren read your letter to us, to hear that you were some better. All the boys were happy to hear from you: and we thank you for being so remindful of us, as to write us first.

We are, I think, improving finely in Rhetoric. Mrs Warren is a very good teacher.

In Geometry, we have finished book third, excluding the problems. Miss Clark a new teacher, teaches us. We are nearly through our Latin book, The four in Greek are making rapid progress. They are as far as verbs. To day they received a Greek reader - so tomorrow they will have there first lesson in reading.

It is getting late now and I must see about studying some before going to bed - so therefore, I am compelled to close

Excuse so short a letter - the next time that I write, I hope I will be able to say more.

With the best wishes for welfare and good health,

I am, Respectfully Your Pupil

Paul J. Mishow

address Box 145.

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Lewis Washington Garret -

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Good Samaritan

1 Lucy Carter 2
+ Calfrin Cason 2
Mary White
+ Kitty Carter 2
+ Eliza Grimes
+ Sarah Damley
+ Locke Young
+ Mary Grimes
+ Carry Robinson
+ Henrietta Bartlett
+ Sylvia Ferry
+ Charley Smith

Good Ron[illegible]
Frances Waters
+ Kitty Carter
+ Keth Surray
+ Emmaline Hall
+ Venus Brooks
+ Sarah Mercer
+ Mary Carter
+ Rebekka Mercer
+ Mary Reed
+ Sarah Jane White
+ Sylvia Fern

+ [illegible] 2
+ Mary J. Simmons 2
+ Samuel Germand
St. Paul Langley
+ Joseph Dillet
Charley [illegible]
+ Jack Carty
Charley Smith
Charley Keeling
+ Calvin Dassiton 2
+ Gaddy Williams
+ Thomas Williams 2
+ Tony Do Newton 2
+ Louise Young
Vanny 13 [illegible]

+ Jonas [illegible] 2
+ Lewis M. Garrel —
+ Joseph Wright
+ Eliza Grimes 2
Mary White
+ Mary Webb 2
+ Daphney Johnson 2
+ Ruth Bly
+ Sarah Dawley
+ Rose Williams 2
+ Henrietta Bartlett 2
+ Mary Wilson
Sarah Simmons
+ Laura Williams
Mary Williams

Good Teacher

Sarah Simmons

Laura Willie

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J. H. [illegible] 1+1 = 2

[illegible] 2+2+2+3 = 8

[illegible] Sykes 1

Charley Bell 1

[illegible] 3

[illegible] Miller 2+1 = 3

Alice [illegible] 6

Calvin [illegible] 9 + 3 + 1 = 13

Joseph [illegible] 6 [illegible] 2 + 4 = 12

[illegible] 3 + 4 = 13

Charley Smith

6 + 3 + 3 = 12

Eliza [illegible] 7 + 3 + 4 = 14

Mary J. [illegible] 6 + 4 + 4 = 16

Stephen Williams 6 + 3 = 9

Lucy [illegible] 5 + 3 + 2 = 10

[illegible] Hill 5 + 3 + 4 = 12

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Mary [illegible] 4+3=7
Sarah Jane White 2+1+2=5
Minnie [illegible] 4+2=6
Samuel [illegible] 3+2+1+3=9
Joseph [illegible] 4+2=6
Christopher 2+2=4
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[illegible] 1+2=3
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David [illegible] 2+1+2=5
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Charles Smith 1+3+2=6

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Frances Waters 4+2=6
Kitty Coulter 2+1+1+2=6
[illegible] 3+2=5
[illegible] Hill 4+2+2=8
Thomas Brooks
[illegible] 4+1=5
4+2=6

[illegible]

Henrietta [illegible] [illegible]
Emmeline Hall [illegible]
Eliza Ann [illegible] [illegible]
Mary Jane [illegible] [illegible]

I feel like singing all the time
[illegible] Fanny Allen
Martha Smith Sabra [illegible]
Kitty Carter May Maria Smith
[illegible] Inman [illegible]
Beggar Girl, [illegible]
Wife for a Week
Louisa Knight [illegible]
Mary Ellen [illegible]
[illegible] Martha [illegible]
Sarah Simmons

Waiting at the Door
Ellen Brown
Temperance Song
George Harper

Susie Smith   Arabella Baxter
Mary Wilson   Frances Watson
Sarah Tinsley   Delphiney Sherman

P. M. RETURN TO

Freedman's Savings & Trust Co.

NORFOLK, VA.

If not called for in Ten Days.

NORFOLK
MAR
10
VA.

Copied [illegible]

Miss C. K. Everett,
Vernon.
Oneida County.
New York

G. conduct –

Mary Carter 2
Rebeka Mercer
Mary Reid
+Sarah J. White
+Sylvia Fern

The U. S. Christian Commission
sends this as the soldier's messenger to his home.
Let it hasten to those who wait for tidings.

"What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

Utica June 21st 1864

Miss Cynthia H Everett

Your letter of inquiry come to hand and I hasten to reply. Your first question in regard to sending direct to White House or elsewhere and to whome I would reply that I am confident that Fortress Monroe Va is at the present time the best place to send *stores* and will continue to be untill Gen- Grant takes Richmond which

we believe he will do
in a short time.
The base for supplies
has been changed to
some point on the
James River and hence
from Fortress Monroe
stores can be easily
forwarded up the James
or to any other point.
Most of the army is
now in that quarter.
Or you can forward
direct to Philadelphia
according to directions
given in the pamphlet
I send you. In regard
to the articles most
needed you will be able
to judge for yourself
after reading from the
cover of the pamphlet
I enclose to you.

You ask me to give my opinion in regard to the work being done by the Sanitary Commission as compared with the Christian Com. They are both doing a great work for our sick wounded & dying soldiers. But I am confident the Christian Com. is doing more than any other organization with the means they have. Their delegates go and dispense the stores without pay and hence what you give goes direct to the soldier. If you had been with me at the White House and seen from 500 to 1500 sick ~~&~~ wounded come in daily and the work being

done by the Ch- Com
I am sure you would
conclude that no better
disposition could be
made of Stores money &c.
If I had the time I could
give you many facts which
come under my own
observation which would
prompt you to do all
you can for the relief
of our brave soldiers!
The soldiers have great
and unbounded confidence
in the Ch- Com-. I have
heard hundreds say God
bless the delegates of the Ch-Co.
And also had it not been
for the timely aid rendered
by them they would have
died. I am very glad to
give you these items of
information but as I
am in correspondence

Box 272

Norfolk, Va.
June 27, 1865

Miss C. H. Everett,
Benson, N.Y.

Dear Friend.

Miss Smith to whom you sent twenty dollars ($20.) for the freedmen, was unexpectedly called to leave the field by the sickness and death of her sister who was also a teacher there.

On my return to Norfolk I visited Miss Smith at her home in Mt. Kisco. N.Y. She gave me the money requesting me to use it as I thought best – and report to you. Perhaps you are aware that the military

authorities here have been
very kind to the freedmen.
When destitute or suffering for clothing, after personal investigation by the teachers tickets bearing their signature were given to the needy person or child who took them to the store for distributing clothing and received the articles designated -
A note from a teacher would also procure rations and medicine -
There are four colored churches in the city and they have frequently taken up liberal contributions for the purpose of providing wood and shoes for their own poor - Many little delicacies for the sick were given me

by friends at home.

We have had an Orphan Asylum, Home for old people and a Hospital for the sick - Thus their physical wants have been pretty well met.

A little Sabbath School was organized by Miss Smith and myself March 13. 1864. Those who attend are from the poorest class and the most ignorant. Their minister is only able to read a little and I know of no member of his church capable of teaching a class. The first year the average attendance was 150. The average number of teachers - three -

We now have about 200

The last seven months we
have had a gentleman
superintendent. — I wish
you could visit this little
school, where we have passed
so many pleasant hours.
During the first five months they
raised ten dollars which the
Boston Tract Society doubled.
~~and~~ sending them $20. worth
of S.S. books. Paper was so high
at the time, that that amount
bought less than fifty volumes.
The was afterwards increased
to seventy five. Still we had
not enough to supply all
the classes. I thought of writing
to you ~~and~~ asking your consent
to add to the library with your
money. A few days ago we
received a very choice collection
of books from Rev. Asa Bullard.
There were about eighty volumes
I think. I do not know as these
facts will interest you, but if you
spend one hour with, hearing them

[illegible] 20th Feb.

My Dear Friend Cynthia,

Having got everything ready for breakfast and it is not quite 6 o'clock, so I thought I would improve the few spare minutes I have in answering your most welcome letter of the 3rd. I suppose you have about come to the conclusion that I did not consider your letter worthy of an answer, or I would have written sooner, but I assure you it is not so Dear Cynthia, for nothing could have been more acceptable to me than that letter from you, we have so much to do now that I hardly have time to think, we have 6 boarders, and have all the washing to do for them, and for the past

For we know not the day nor the hour that the Son of God. Oh pray for me that I may be ready to meet him & thank you a thousand times for the letter you wrote me at the time of the meetings last winter, Jennie Thomas has returned from New York and is quite well, she sends her love to you Father Mother and Fannie wishes to be remembered to you very kindly, please write to me soon, for I always like so much to hear from you, Mr Evens has a vacation of 4 weeks at his school he is going to-day to work in haying up to Morris Morris Stuber Mr Evens and John B. wishes to be remembered to you, John B. is as partial to the dogs as ever, give my regards to Eddie, we all fells quite disappointed that Eddie did not come and make us a visit while he was down here please write soon, and write me a long letter accept the love

of your loving friend
Lottie,

two weeks I have had company from Utica, so you may judge by that— that a great deal to do, so I think I have a good excuse for my delay in answering your letter this time, We have a new jewelry shop in the village, and a Saloon kept by Richard McJones, I think if the Saloon was left out, it would be better, for I fear that the young men of our place, are going to destruction fast enough, without the opening of that Saloon to help them along,

Those two young men that keep the jewelry shop board to our house, they appear to be very fine young men, they both are quite good looking if that was the only thing wanting to make a young man about right, they are from West Amboy Oswego Co. they do not think they will stay here long, for buisness is not brisk enough here to pay to keep two to work,

I should think you had a very pleasant school at Auren, but it seems to me I should be very lonesome, so far away from home, then you must have enough to do to get you tired by night, so that you would not care for starting for home, I should like very much to come up there to see you and Eddie, but it is so far, that

I could not go and come the same day.

I was at home all day the fourth of July. I intended to have gone off in the after-noon, but it rained all the the afternoon. in the evening I attended the festival at the hall, which passed off very pleasantly, we had a Fish Pond there, Post office, and Rebeca at the well, Ice Cream Strawberries, Candy &c. &c. the room was trimed splendidly, they had one over to Prospect last night, but they say the festival here passed off much pleasenter then the one at Prospect,

I often think of you, and of the conversation we had together, oh I wish I was as good as you are, I often think of the letter you wrote me at the time of the revival, I have sat for hours meditating over that letter before I would go to church in the evening sometimes I would almost make up my mind to go forward, but when the minister would invite sinners forward, It would seem as if I had not strength enough to go, oh how often have I regreted that I let all those meetings pass, without seeking Jesus, I mean to be a Christian before I die, but of what use will that promise be to me when I come to die, if it is not fullfilled, oh dear Cynthia pray for me,

Turin November 8./66

My Dear Cynthia

I have reseived you kind and welcom letter and I was very glad of get it from you it found me well it seems good to hear from you i read you letters over many a times I think what good times we had to gather I just came hom from ~~[illegible]~~ singinschool to nigh so I will sid down to write I enjoy my self good John Pickard is our deacher I supose you are acquainted with him I think he is a good siner. so I guss I am good girl I dont go no whars ~~bad~~

Ashly hom and to chuch
Dear Cynthia I wish I could
see you I wish you would com
up hear and see me it would
do me more good than a stick
of candy Fannie is well she has
you to bead I feel tired to
nigh but I though I would write
to you I saw Eddy to nigh and
Mr Williams thare are both well
I saw Mary Ann to nigh and Addy
and Jane thare are well
I saw Ellen Reber see is well
she send her love ~~you~~ to you
Jennie Shepard was down to see
us one day this weak she is well
and rest of the ~~[illegible]~~ folks
Father and Mother are well they sent
thare heart love to you all
My Sister and her famley are
all well Daved Thomas saw me

I dond hair it at sam odd
that I cand see him but
I gess I woud cry very badt
would you well I gess you would
and Peter Radley and his family
are all well I saw him he was in the
shop to see me oene day I told
him that I hear from you
he send his love to you and
would like te see you he told
me to write to you to com
up and see him in his log house
I havend see Frances but she
has ~~got~~ com hom you see my dear
Friand Cynthia I wish you
would com up and see me
I beleive if I would see you
you com I would run and
meat you I wish you was
goin to sleep with me to night
but we cand ~~to met cand~~ –
~~I to~~ So we will dream

tell you sister May that I wand
her to pray fore me tell her
that I sent my Love to her
I hope we will remember
our promis to gether I send
my Love to you Father and Mother
and your sisters. Mr Rowlands
has com back he is well I havent
herd him preached sice he com
hom I gess I well her him nxt
sunday if I am live and well
well I mut close my letter
and get to ~~bead~~ for it is after
beat time I send my Love
to ~~your~~ dear Cynthia and a kiss
fore you and kiss you sisters fore me
Excuse this poor letter Good night
write from your truley Friend
soon Jennie

[illegible] [illegible] 1866

Friend Mr Ewell

Your welcome letter I received in due time and was pleased to get it.

You were afraid that I wouldn't get your letter but I did get it the next day after it was dated I [illegible] see what made you think that I wouldn't get it. I am surprised such an important Old gentleman as I can't get a letter without seeing it in Some Body's eyes —

[illegible] [illegible] the schoolhouse yet [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have more [illegible]. I don't know whether the Negro school [illegible] will be set or not. The Northern [illegible] going to teach the [illegible] school at [illegible]

You wanted to know what it was that I
was to help building it is a new [illegible]
gues that poor old Mary wanted I would
not to live in one end of the house we are
[illegible] hands on the house.
I was sorry to hear that Cousin Emma [illegible]
was sick but am glad to hear that she is
better. D. F. Bushel has talked of
getting up a singing school we ~~[illegible]~~
to use with a high school.
Well C, [illegible] about coming down there
this winter I ~~can't promise~~ dont know
what to say but if there is any such
a thing we will come I've spoken of it.
You wanted to know if I attended
the Sab Sabbath school well not very
regular Oh yes the [illegible] gives plenty
of time to get a wife. I dont know
whether Frank Dudley is at home or not
Enoch has been working at Woods chair
factory but is at home now.

has improved [illegible] fast since she was. She
quite smart [illegible] goes to church and
up Sunday and [illegible] will you come as
came here election day and stayed 3 or 4 days
he is a smart little fellow I think there
is some hopes of his being a Democrat
too, Grandfather is quite smart Aunt they
came home long time ago

Nell received a letter from Jay last
week his uncle is about the same
he is in a insurance office at Miller
Hoyt & Butler, Well you ought to
feel how Sade and Hamp are getting well
they do about as they please and don't
ask no odds of any of us,
I guess that Hoofman will not be
Hoof it I don't tell as he can do any
else. I guess that is good enough as
he taken the other crow that you
know [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I have
received your letter

You are aware has been married and gone
off and left us. The old gobbler still lives
on and wife roost on the fence I should
think that they would be troubled with
the rheumatism. Still common
sence thinks that I had better bring my
scrawlin to a close. My love to all
your folk and inquiring friends

From your Granpa

Direct thet Mr Granpa Esq P.A
Turkey hill Turkey corner (Care of our daddy gr[illegible]

Dear Cynthia Throw me a Kiss from
thare

Turin Dec. 3. 1866.

My Deare Freand Cynthia

I have
reived you kind and welcom letter and
it found me well O Deare Cynthia
I am very tired to night but
I thought I would write to you
But you know that I am you freand
and you are my and I must write
soon to you O Deare Cynthia I wish
you were goin to sleep with me to night
I have think about the time pass
what good times we used have
to gether I wish we could be
to gether a gain in this wourld
But when we meet in that other
wourld we meet to part no more
I have thought a greatdeal about
you when you was on the Fig Hill

Last Summer when you ware Tired are homesick I wish you ware heare now I have got no ~~fotta~~ bodde when I am Tired are homesick Fannie she gon to beat to sleep she set up to Mr Abbett Last night his wife and his little boy is very sick so She Left me alone to write to you I suppose you would Like to know who is goin to teach you chool on Aug 26 well I will tell you Thomas Evans is goin to teach it he has comence his chool to day John Henry has got a chool he is goin to comence next monday I would Like to go to chool to Mr Northurn heare But I cand fore I am in a jail fore a ~~spell~~ spell we are goin to stay all winter what do you think of that I have not don anything to go in this jail

I cand go anewhare now I go home
saturday night som time But when
I get out of heare I will com and
see you well it is to bat that
you shool has got the whoping cough
I hop you wound have it if you
do I bitte you I wend to Funeare
thanksgiving in the affter noon and
in the evening I wend to the singing chool
Fannie and I attend to the singing
you wrote that you wand Fannie
are me to select a dress frore you
well I wend to the store to day
But I could not see anething to
suit me Mr William is agoin to
New york to morow to get som
goods and when he com back I will
send you a sampler of his dress
goods Eddie said I better wait
tell he comes back I hop he
will have som nise goods

my

I suppose you have heared that
John Evans donot go with Mary Ann
Walder Millard has got his place
so poor John is turn away you hed
better talk little an him Cynthia
he neats little now if ever
Oh Dear Cynthia I would like to
have talk with you o how good
you used to talk to me about
Jesus I wish I could see to have
another talk I with you ware goin to sleep
with me but I guess we would not
sleep much to you think we would
give my Love to you Father and Mother
and you sisters and to you of corse
write soon   From you Truly Freand
fore I will run
in the stick. tell   Jennie
I get letter from you so good by
fore to night

I gave the letter to Eddie that was with [illegible]. Feb. 12th. 1867

Friend Miss Everett

My days work is done for one more day. but the thought of it still lingers in my mind. What a difference there is between going to school and being a school-teacher. A scholar will think if he cannot have every thing to suit himself. that he is misused. but little do scholars think of using a teacher well. I had no idea that teaching school was near what it is. It always seemed to me that a school-teacher had pretty easy time. but now I know a little different. I might have known better than to take this school in the first place the scholars all know me. so they would not pay as much attention to what I said as they would to a stranger. and a smaller school would have been better for me for the first term. if I had a school of about twenty scholars I think that I could guess it and take a little comfort. I have seen boys in my school that it would take a man to each boy to keep them still. You ought to have stayed out here a little longer than you did: then you might had pleasant weather to visit around, it is a very nice weather here last week. there would have been no danger of you getting snowed in, we cleaned the school house last Friday, it was a very pleasant day and we had a good time. we needed you here to boss the work. we didnt have much fun with it. you must come out this way again to finish your visit as quick as you can. we are not in the least afraid of you Walter Millard is getting along fine I heard over a week ago that he was using his hand. he has been staying here from Monday until today. Mr and Mrs E. Jones were up on the Hill. Mother says it is bed time. and I dont suppose she can retire easy until all of her boys are put in bed and the lights put out

Father and mother and all wish to be remembered to you. The boys are having much fun now in sliding down hill they get together in the evening and slide by moon light. Give my respects to all of your people. And please write soon

Jay Hall Schlichmacher

x, [illegible]

[illegible] 12 [illegible]

Friend

It is with great pleasure that
I take my pen in hand to
inform you of [illegible]
answer to your [illegible]
I received a long time ago
I should have had answered
it a long time ago [illegible]
[illegible] than [illegible]
[illegible] but it [illegible] I could
more than I could do, and a good
many more that I [illegible] it to
your [illegible] about a square foot
and a foot square. you said
that the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] It [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

for my part I don't see as [illegible] what there is different that he taking it in any way that is the way that father spoke of perhaps you'll [illegible] up here, but I don't think that I was right about. As for the folks is all well as usual but Eddy [illegible] he been very sick but he is better now he has had a [illegible] swelling on his leg, the doctor called it. I guess the rest of the people is well I think.

C [illegible] H. Stevens was here to day I [illegible] thought [illegible] I [illegible] pretty [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] is here to day [illegible] [illegible] is well [illegible] [illegible]

I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I would like to hear again
and in this [illegible]
if it is not too much
trouble for you

you must excuse pen
ink and mistakes
[illegible] bad writing
also
I am out ink paper

Turin March 14/67

Dear Friend Cynthia

I think perhaps that you would like to hear how Frank is getting along I will wright and tell you a little of his and because he got a leter from you a long time ago but for some reason or another he hasent answerd laziness is the only excuse he can give. It is quite plesent here now adays our school is out since last Monday the Teacher gave all presents but I had to stay at home that day Father was not very well he is better now ~~but~~ The village schools are closed some time ago now. I dont know why they closed so soon unless it was because money was lacking. a good

of us went down to Collinsvill
last week to singing school
Mr G. Newman teacher Isaac Prit
was with us. Aunt Mary is
up here from Utica she is pack
the furniture to move to Utica
Granfather likes it beter down
there than here. Mr. Rowlands
preaches his farwell sermon next
sunday he is agoing out west
I presume you heard. The G.T.
had a festivel last week at the
hotel the hall whare they hold
their meetings wasen't larg enough
they got I thing about $130.
I saw Wait Willard last friday
his hand is well there is nothing
to be seen on it a person couldent
tell that it had ben hurt.
I saw in the paper that D
Thomas had been removed well
I think it was just what he
deserved. Served him wright

Mr Payne has sold his farm to Isaac Williams he moved yesterday down near Turin we are sorry of it they were such good neighbors. Frank [illegible] has gone out north she is going to live with her Uncle out there this summer. Mr A. I. [illegible] Thomas has gone to Illinois to live I dont know what Tug hill is coming to if they are all going away. We had two spelling schools after you went home we didnt spell down speaking was the most we done if we did that. I dont know as I have any more to say this time so I will bring my letter to a close hoping to hear from you soon My regards to all friends

From Granpa to
Cynthia

Turin July 19. 1867

My Dear Friend Cynthia

Eddie says that
you wanted to know whether
I was in the land of living
or well Cynthia I am here and
well and hope these few lines
will find you the same
I hope you will foregive me
fore not answer you letter
sooner but I will try and
do better here after
I have been to the meeting
and I look fore you but
I did you there I saw Mr.
Phillips there he preach very
good I think we had a
good meeting Dear Cynthia
I havend forgoeben you I

think of you quite often I wish you hat com up with you sistter if you are goin to be at hom this faul I guess I will com down to sa you all if nothing hapens

Mrs Davis health is som better I thing now all of the reast of th famley are well you wanted me to Ask Fathar whether frogs sing in Wales he says that they do not sing lik they to here so I belive I will not go there fest yet would you I would lik to talk som about the meeting with you but paper and ink will not to it fore me O how I wish

you ware goin to stay with
me to night I guess we
would not sleep much
I was up to the store
to nigh and I saw you
sister Sarah there fore
the first time sece see
wase up hare I suppose
you have heard that Mary
Jones has got a little
girl she has been quite
sick and Walter Mary
Ann Roberts has been down
thare helpen her Fannie
have gon to bed so
guess I will go my eyes
are getting sleppy and I cant
see to write no mor to night

July 13 I have seen
another bright Morning it
is a butiful One so

Frank Radley has not
Com hom yet she is
out North her adress is
Felts Mills, Jefferson, Co, N.Y.
I heard from her few days
ago she is well Peter Radley &
family My sister is well
John Henry just came hom
from school few day ago
she is well Father and
Mother is well they send
thare beast regards to you all
well I must cease by biding you
good bye write as soon
as you get this with out delay

This is from you
old friend Jennie

I send my love to you
and Mary and rest of them

Turin July 12th 1867

Dear and Unforgotten Friend Sy

I guess that you have made up your mind that I am not going to answer your kind and good letter wich I received long long ago but I hope that you have forgiveness enough in your little heart to ~~to~~ read this letter I doubt not but you knew I met your Sister Mary to the ley last Tuesday evening I was very glad to see her when I saw Libbie and her comming in I thought it was you oh how surprise I was well Synthia you see that time has done better than I did she wrote a long letter last night and I went to bed I was awfulle sleepy and so I cant write much this time

But I will write you a long
letter one of these day. and tell
you all the news our fowlks
are all well and the send you
lots of Love I must draw to a
close for Varne ~~[illegible]~~ is redy to go
and I will write you a long
letter the next time this is from
your old Friend Fannie
Pleas write soon as you get this

Cynthia

Turin. April 12th. 1868.

My dear friend. Cyntha,

It is sabbath afternoon, and as there is no meeting to attend, I will answer your letter of nearly a month ago. I was so glad to hear from you, that I really thought I should answer it very soon; but you must kno my dear girl, that thinking, and doing, are very different things. I shall not scold you a bit this time, for not writing to me before, I am afraid if I should, that it would be the last time I should ever hear from you. But I ought to make you promise as childre do, that they will never do so again. I have been to sabbath school to day, there were not any of Mrs Emmi's class there except Mary Muscott, I have taken that class of little boys I had charge of, when you were here some time ago. Ellen Jones has been their teacher for nearly a year, but she has moved to Collinsville. Mrs Lewis, and Katie, are going, or have gone, to live with her. You inquired about Carrie, and Mary Muscott; Carrie lives in Leyden, two or three miles from Boonville, I have not seen her but a few times, since she went there to live, which was soon after she was married.

Mary is at home now, but intends teaching this summer, and boarding with Carrie, which will be very pleasant for both.

I do not expect to teach this summer, to tell the truth I dont want to, but dont tell any body I said so, for I may want to some time.

I hope that I can come and visit you this summer, I intend to do so, was in the store yesterday, and Edward told me that Pierce and Clara, came out the day before, and returned yesterday, I should [illegible] liked to have seen them very much, if you should see them, tell them I am coming to visit them this summer without fail, if I am alive and well, but I presume they wont believe it. Uncle Reuben Payne, has bought Mrs Baldwins farm, about a mile from the village, Week before last, I went there to eat "warm sugar" and make a visit, I staid two days and had a good time, Levantia and Mary were here yesterday, to visit with a cousin from Martinsburgh,

My house plants are doing finely, and the roguish kitty you inquired about, is now a demure cat with a family of two kittens, just the prettiest ones you ever saw, have had their eyes open but a few days.

Mother sends her love to you, and I send mine. I have no more news to write at present so I will close. yours in Faith,
Hope, and Charity,
Sarah.

P. S. I hope you will be able to read all the nonsense I have written, and will think it worth answering at no very distant day. ever your friend. Sarah.

[illegible] the recollection [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Baby) and shopping [illegible]

[illegible] to Dunk [illegible] plenty of [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
acres of land in [illegible] [illegible]
at $150, per acre assuming one fourth
down and the rest in three yearly payments
and M and I have bought a couple
of houses and lots on the next block
on this street, 48 feet front [illegible]
120 in depth [illegible]
$12,500 — [illegible] $2000, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
$350, [illegible]
The ~~[illegible]~~ largest is occupied by [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] in the [illegible]
[illegible]
Charlotte [illegible]
[illegible] side and [illegible]
[illegible] some [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
$1000, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

a great deal [illegible], so near. [illegible]
[illegible] Lewis too, has just moved within a
[illegible] of us in another direction. (They rent
a beautiful house for which [illegible]
the [illegible] $1310, [illegible] so
we shall all be within walking distance
[illegible]
a great deal of speculating [illegible]
[illegible] bringing about a crisis before long
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] to turn over a new leaf. I
[illegible] I [illegible] to time
in any respect and to day
[illegible]. I stored [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
this [illegible] tell! do you [illegible]
[illegible] want [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] possible to keep [illegible]
when you [illegible] to give [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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Rome, N. Y., Oct 9 1869

Friend,
Cynthia.

I feel it my duty to acknowledge the receipt of your friendly letter. I appreciate it fully. I have been waiting until I could write something interesting about myself, for you know I can only write you my experience.

My present position is one of perfect consecration, I am willing to be a medium for the expression of the divine will, and an instrument for its execution.

There are some providences that are mysterious, but my past is assurance that all will be well

Whatever may be the result I intend to follow my convictions of duty. I am wedded to the truth as it is in Jesus and nothing shall be able to separate us.

There is just now a good feeling in our school at Newville, but no special interest, those who have been converted are being faithful to their vows, and enjoying the indwelling of the Spirit.

My mind is constantly exercised for those of my friends who have no interest in my Saviour so that I am in a state of mingled hope and anxiety which wears on me more than all the bodily exercise I have.

I shall be at home about the 1st of May & stay till September. Excuse the brevity of this poor effort I am not very well today.

Will you write soon?

Please

Your sister

Charlestown. Aug. 16. 1870.

My Dear Lass:

Your letter is most wel[illegible] pecially as I had looked for it so [illegible] I was afraid you were sick. I half thought of sending a letter of inquiry about my [illegible] daughter, asking your father whether you were sick or "getting ready to be married"! But I forgive you since it turns out that you are really improving the time like a sensible girl. That is right - visit, rest, enjoy the precious society of home friends - take in a new stock of hope, love, enthusiasm, and bodily strength - and then come back to us to spend them among these promising lads - feeling that "to spend and be spent" in the Lord's service is a privilege. How can we keep the [illegible]ness, the new charity, the active love [illegible] these vacation days, and let them [illegible]

[illegible] my trust in the Home through all the
next year, if we are spared to see it, with
its weight of cares, and temptations to
unfaithfulness? May the good Lord show
me! If you come back, you
[illegible] me to do it. If I can be to you
[illegible] mother, sister to you than I have
been, I trust I shall be ready to do so.

But now I shall take it for granted
that you have had no news since you left us
and want all that I can give you. Misses
Parmelee & Munro left by rail on the 4th of
June, with Miss Hancock, who carried along
a miniature kitchen, and made coffee and
served out lunches on the cars in fine style.
They then stopped in Richmond & Washing-
ton long enough for sight seeing. Miss Parmelee
went on alone from there, and has written some
[illegible] about rest and pleasure at
home. [illegible] then visited Miss Hancock in Phil-
adelphia and a sister in Beddeo, N. J.
[illegible] which place she wrote me.
[illegible] Ford remained until July

10th. sailed on the Charleston on which
they secured the finest state room, and now
report themselves as well. As soon as we
found ourselves alone we began to think
of moving here, especially as I was [illegible]
languid and feverish [illegible]
dismissed all but Eliza [illegible]
and Janet Edwards to sleep over the [illegible]
at night, and settled ourselves here in
comfort. Mr Warren continued his daily
class, and does some writing in his office
with Paul and Alonzo for helpers. He
goes over at eight and returns at two.
His coming and going are the events of
the day – in fact we have no visitors
but the boat! The woman [illegible]
left in the house does the cooking and
house work. Eliza has the chickens
and I finish up many little odds and
ends of work, rest, and grow young.
Mr. Warren also declares himself better
and as happy as a man can be [illegible]
promised me to write [illegible]

weeks, and is at home to-day. I have just
been reading "Knickerbocker's History of New
York" [illegible] out on the piazza - while he
lay on the floor easily, both children climb-
ing over him and trying to frolic quietly!
[illegible] know Irving as a writer? If not,
[illegible]. Horatio is much better -
stouter, browner, feasting upon fruit which
does not hurt him at all now. Jennie
has been sick for a week, but as a result
has now the four hardest teeth - the eye
and stomach teeth. Baby is doing just
as well as at first - laughs aloud to Clara,
smiles, goos and jumps - and makes us
love him by the same arts known to most
infants. We sometimes go into the salt
water at high tide. Shosho goes up to his
waist in it frolicing with his father, and
Jenny and the baby sometimes get a tub-
bath in it. We watch the steamers come
and go, and enjoy the constant breeze.
[illegible] (Crumber) has been over for a
day and a half - it is over thirty years since

Charleston, S. C.
Feb. 22nd, 1871.

My Dear Miss Everett:

It is Washington's birth-day, and so a holiday in school, but chilly, cloudy, and threatening rain every moment. Mr. Warren & Sarah Martin are playing croquet, - the others have kept their rooms mostly to-day. They have written you since Miss Ward left us - I hardly know whether you have been told other facts about her. She left us on Thursday noon, reached home Saturday night. Her father's body, kept in ice, was buried on the Tuesday following. He had been the physician of that town forty years, kind to the poor, slow in exacting just dues. The people sent a committee to his family to express their desire to bear all the funeral expenses, raise a monument, and have a memorial of his life written. Her mother is quite feeble, though not exactly going through a "fit of sickness." Mr. Warren found a Miss Clark to put into No. 10. – a graduate of the Normal School here, ambitious, inexperienced, anxious to improve, willing to study. He is obliged to hear some of the recitations, and I keep the Rhetoric. I consider the scholars there very uneven in their attainment, but most of them improve steadily. I think you have heard from some of them. I intend to have them all send you a letter soon. Paul grew uneasy, careless about study, and going out nights. Mr. Warren had before warned him – he then dismissed him. I found that Mr. Warren would give him yet another trial if Paul would ask it in the right spirit. Then I had a long, plain talk with Paul, and left him advising him to ask Mr. Warren to forgive him, if he felt sincere in it, and was ready to change his course. It took him a day to make up his mind to that – then he wrote a most humble note, and has been perfectly obedient & teachable since - only going out on Saturday & Sunday.

They all continue at the Bible Class. Alonzo had a brother married & we all went to the church - there were five bride's-maids. Alonzo stood up - he was disappointed about a dress-coat at the last moment, & stood up in Mr. Harris's best!

Do you remember the appeal I wrote for them in the A.M.A. magazine? I had been discouraged about my pen, for that seemed like water poured on the ground, and I really wrote it hopefully. Lately I had a letter from a Philada. Quakeress, asking me if the boys were with us, were satisfactory, &c. I wrote her fully about the character of each, about Paul's flurry sending her his note of repentance, about the terms on which they are fed & clothed this year, & that we could take care of them until June. I hoped to interest her in their future, but expected nothing now & asked nothing. But I have just

received an order for $60. from her
through our N. Y. Office & a promise of a
letter from her. So unbelief is rebuked.
Miss Farwell sent me a barrel of clothing,
each article labeled, & mostly for those
who had before received nothing. She
remembered the S. S. with the best
things and sent them to Mrs. Ford's care,
which I hope will act as a peace-offer-
ing. Mr. Cravath has not come yet,
but we are receiving letters from all
points for him, & he must come soon.
Mrs. Ford has felt worse lately & has
been persuaded by Mrs. Mozzeki's mother
to visit Dr. Cleckley, my homeopathic
physician! He pronounces her case
one of nervous dyspepsia and I don't
doubt it. But what will become of her—
so many changes in medicine, & food
so mixed and so frequent.
This brings me to thank your sister for
the advice in your last letter. I regu-
late my bowels, & keep from constipation

Whitestown P.O.
July 25th '71

Cynthia

I was glad to get your note the other day – for I began to think I was not go to hear from you again; as my letter written when you was south remains unanswered. I did not think when Carrie left home she would be so fortunate as to see you. Are you getting tired of her? I should think you would be glad to send her home, so you could enjoy a little quiet: for if you came home to rest I am afraid you will be disappointed. I could

not rest if there were so many
around. I am very sure. I hope
you ~~have~~ can for Annie writes she
will be home this week. And I
am commissioned by Lou and
Pi to say we will be "awfully"
disappointed if you do not come
with her - we would like to have
one of your sisters come also. It
is a nice place to rest here, for it
is very quiet; You will come, won't
you, 'please.' I am very glad you
think Annie is looking better,
for she felt so poorly when she
left: Thank you! The maple sugar
would be acceptable, when I read your
letter and came to that - part In
imagination I eat a very large
piece for a "little body" And even
stretched my imagination so far
as to as to fancy I was in your
midst - helping Sara to scrape that -

idenical peice of sugar- It was well for her It was only fancy? for I fear there would not be much left- I should like to see Eddie's baby so much, is it like Eddie.? Annie says it is as nice as Mr James'- And that is the best baby I ever saw, without exceptation,

It is warmer here to day (it has been very cold- Satterday it snowed And hailed,) I am so glad, for I dont like cold wether one bit; I think I shall be obliged to "migrate" to some warmer clime, if our season continue so severe, Did Anna tell you that John D Jones was here? he left Monday morning for N. Y I do not think he will stop long on this return, but do not know he said he should call at Fenner if he had time,

By the by, Cynthia

I think I should like to roll
in the hay. But am in some
doubt as to the propriety, (it might
do very well for you and Anna) for
a "Government Official" to indulge in such amusements.
I have been reading "St Elmo"—
I think there is a striking
similarity in it to Jane Eyre - have
you read it - if so tell me what
you think of it; I have not finished
it; Time's up. I shall look for
you and one of your sisters, when
Annie comes, tell her I have not
the time to write to day — Give my
love to all — Thanking them for
their kindness to Annie. Don't
disapoint us Cynthia —

Fanny —

[illegible]

[illegible] dear Sister,

How I should like to be with you [illegible] would [illegible] a [illegible]. The [illegible] has not gone as [illegible] and very [illegible] weather for some time.

The birds are geting along finely we have [illegible] small ones the old ones take care of them [illegible] I have three little eggs those that used to be Henry['s] hen [illegible], what do you think of that dont you think they do well, do you give the birds water to bathe what they are setting they [illegible] pleanty of eggs to eat now,

[illegible] have been quit [illegible] for two day geting the [illegible] and have finaly got through with them [illegible] and [illegible] what [illegible] find them.

Sister [illegible] has got back [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Emma
intends to go out west it is quite [illegible]
with all them,

Monday

It is nine after three oclock and we have
got all through with our washing and mopping I
have just got through with the birds. the [illegible]
of the bird got out of the nest yesterday for
the first time and the other today I think a
great deal of them I think that I shall finish
this to send to night I should like to write
you a long letter if I could. [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]
letter this morning [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] good
[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Monday [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
your affectionate cousin Lily

Dear Cousin [illegible]

I was happy
to hear from you and [illegible]
have [illegible] letter [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] you [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

I intended before this to come and
make you a visit the present [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Dear Cousin

I was very happy to receive your letter, also, the one enclosed as I had not heard from sister in a long time, hope you will excuse my long scilence you would I am sure if you knew how my time has been occupied but do not let it prevent you from writing to us as I shall be very glad to hear from you. how is Aunts health this winter? I have felt quite anxious about her, she seemed so feeble for her, when I was there, how is Sarah does she sit up any?.

Lizzie you are the best correspondent the

has. Henry was out to see her, a few weeks since. she
did not know him it was speechless, she was taken
the night before he got there, but she got better soon
after he left. I received a letter from her two
days after it was written the day H left. She
says her health is pretty good but her head is about
the same as it was last spring, she worries considerable
about it lately, but the Dr tells her he is confident
he can cure her and she has great confidence in
him that one spot at the top of the spine discharges
not less than two large spoonfuls every night, she
has not had any of her raving spells since she
was home, H says she looks about the same
as she did when she was home, when she comes
home you will of course receive the first visit after
she gets rested, then you can judge for yourself whether
she has been benefited much or not, She was very sorry
she could not come up there when she was home last,
she said Aunt had been like a mother to me it
seemed as if she must see her before she went back,
but she had so much to do and so short time to do it
in it could not be, but she will be home to
stay soon, It seems as if I could not wait until the
time, if she was only coming home well how glad I
should be, but we must be content with the improvement
she has made,

Cousin when she comes home you will
come and make me a visit, wont you, remember
you have never been here I think you can afford me
a visit now dont you? methinks I hear you say yes
and I shall expect it I close with love to yourself
and Cousins, [illegible] John & his little one included

Cousin Mary

Regent House
Rhyl Feby 26th

My dear Cousin

It is not a very easy matter to open a correspondence when we know so little of each other, but this I know well, if I had written to you sooner you would have replied I know it is my very own fault we hin thus never hear from you I will bear in mind "Never too late to mend" and try to make up for past silence

There is a little excuse
for us, we did not
know so much of you
until last Summer,
I cannot account for
it but it is a real fact

We have lived
at Rhyl for the last
21 years, we like it
very much for it is
a clean, healthy little
town comprising eight
thousand inhabitants.
We have thirteen churches
or chapels as we in this
country call them
a delightful sea, which is
the great attraction
there. and which we

ourselves love much Tomorrow is to be a great day throughout our country, thanksgiving day for the recovery of our Prince of Walles I will send you a paper with a full account but perhaps these accounts will not interest you free and easy people. We on this side are getting nearly enough of all this pageantry but we love our Queen too much to rebel another monarch will

even at that early age
appreciate it. Our
Sunday school con=
nected with our church
is but small compared
to others - number
about 80. We have had
the same minister ever
since we are in Phyl
His name is the Rev.
Aaron Francis perhaps
your father knows him
by name. His only
daughter married
last September a
welsh comic public
singer and they say
~~that~~ they are going
to cross the Atlantic

to Sing for the
welsh people in
Utica he Mr Davies
cannot sing English
and she cannot
sing welsh so
you will get a mix
ture. These intended
visits are often talke
of a long time before
hand. although they
say they will cross
in the early part
of the summer.

I had a letter this
morning from my
sister Elizabeth (Mrs
Ellis) who has been
a great invalid for

years saying she is wonderfully well during all this winter which has been exceedingly mild, indeed, nothing like winter.

After receiving a letter from you I will reply soon and tell you more about our country or anything else you may like better. Please present our love to all friends and accept the same from

Yours affectionate,
Rachel Louisa

They care not for his holy word and the Sabbaths they never keep holy sad reflection. Is it not? Many of our English neighbours laugh at our quiet Sabbaths in Wales Our religious advantages are great here in Wales, children are ~~tho~~ taught from their infancy to love their Saviour and to attend the Sabbath school, at three years of age they are admitted and I assure you they never be held up like this one she really is good and gracious

The expense of our government is some thing alarming.

We better have this expense than to have war like our neighbours the french had. Oh! the misery they have brought upon themselves by their uncalled for war It is not to be wondered that God has left them to themselves They are so irreligious

[illegible]

[illegible] is building [illegible]

[illegible] and they are [illegible]

[illegible] building [illegible]

[illegible] are all going

to build [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] house.

[illegible]

what [illegible]

[illegible]

I suppose you [illegible]

[illegible] Sheldon

wanted they should build a staging by the Pulpit but they
would not agree to it for fear they would have trouble as they
had before the church looked quite bright for there
were no less than ten Solar-lamps on the front of the
Gallery besides the other lamps. Mrs Glidden was there
She is a beautiful singer she sung in some of the pieces alone.
we had a very good School but I am afraid that it will
not improve our Church music much after all
but I have made out to learn to read notes at last and it was
the hardest lesson I ever undertook to learn but it is easy to
learn after all when and one can see through it,

Elizabeth Williams is here in the Village working at her trade
she has more work than she ever had before she is drove night
and day and cannot do enough work after all and Miss Bourys is
here at the house where Lewis lived last summer she has
no hats at all to dress Lib gets all the custom.

Jane Abrams has gone to live with her husband again
they live in the house and the old folks live in a
part of the woodhouse that they had finished off this
Spring Jane said she would not go back without the old
lady would let her take the charge of the cellar herself
and the old lady gave up at last but I am sorry for
her for I think she is too good a girl to be misused,
Mrs Pugh is quite smart for her —— they are building
an addition to the house where the old kitchen stood
it is quite a building it is about twenty feet one way
and twenty six the other and Elizabeth Williams has had to go
from Mrs Pugh's for the want of room and she is now
in Mr Richards's chamber opposite of Kaps store.

The weather here is quite cool yet the trees are about putting on their green dresses again the leaves are about half grown and the Plum Trees are just beginning to bloom and nature seems to revive again
Your Sister Mary came home last Saturday night from Whitesboro She commenced her School Monday She has about fifteen Scholars. Sarah seems to gain slowly she is quite cheerful and looks much better than she did last fall. They have started a Sabbath School again at Steuben we had it first at two O clock and some did not like it because it was too much to come there twice and it is now as it used to be in old time immediately after Sermon John Pugh is Superintendent I hope that we will have a good School that they will have perseverance and not give up as they have done
Old John D. Edwards Lloyd is going back to Wales again he is going with his family the first of next month.

There is a new minister now just come from Wales so it is some come and others go. The strangest that has happened in the Village here since you have left is what happened in the family of Hugh Griffith he is a carpenter he lives in the old house on the corner as you go to Steuben opposite of Isaac Roberts house he took cold last fall and had a bad cough all winter in the Spring he was so sick the he was confined to his bed and he was so low that they Stood over him expecting to see him die and day for hours I saw him and I never saw any one so low and recover but your Aunt Sarah for he looked so deathly pale like a corpse and every one thought that there was no hopes for him he had a little boy about eight years old his father was so sick that they sent him off to his Uncle that lives by Wm Roberts the did not feel well when he came home he complained of his head. the Doctor was in to see his father and told his mother to take good care of him that the boy was sicker than the Father and she even made light of it. The boy grew worse and in less than a week died and the Fathers had gained so much as to set up at his funeral and has gained ever since and is now at work at his trade again, Wonderful the ways of providence saved the Father took the child I hope it will be a lesson to him that he will never forget.

You have seen the notice of the death of Mrs Perry Benjamin Perry's wife she died quite sudden she was sick only two weeks she lived fourteen days without taking any nourishment she was deranged the most part of the time they said that she was in great distress her tongue was swolen very bad and her throat. Mr Perry now lives there alone with little Billy.

Robert M Jones wife is buried she was sick the most part of the winter and Mrs Hughes is dead she lived in the yellow house opposite of the stone School house on the Turnpike that make three deaths in few weeks time in the same neighborhood

A very strange circumstance happened at Prospect this week two boys were crossing the dam by the mill above the falls one was Jenks Jenkings Esq Jenkins son and the other was Jenks Harris about 12 years old one of the boys slipped as they were going over the other caught him to save him and the force of the water took them both over the falls in the steepest place I should think it was over thirty feet into a deep hole the boys got out and swam several rods under water and came to the shore one was bruised very bad by the fall it took the Doctor over an hour to dress his wounds the other was not much hurt no one saw them or knew any thing about it till they came to the shore

Well Dear Jane I must draw my scribbling to a close for I have been at it over a week I commenced week a ago last wednesday and it is now Friday noon I hope you will be a good girl remember that your best friend is at hand and he hears even the sighs of those that seek him I am happy very happy Jane to hear that you love to see the Sabbath and delight in hearing the ministers of God proclaim the glad tidings of Salvation my prayer is for you Jane and not mine only but there are others of your dear friends that you are not forgotten by them Jane there has not day passed for weeks but I have thought of you especially since Maria was married but I hope we shall have a good visit bye and bye. I want you to answer this if you cannot write over a dozen lines. forget me not

Mary

Cheer up. (Tupper)

Never go gloomily, man with a mind!
Hope is a better companion than fear.
Providence, ever benignant and kind!
Gives with a smile what you take with a tear.
All will be right,
Look to the light;—
Morning is ever the daughter of night.
All that was black will be all that is bright.
Cheerily, cheerily then! cheer up.

Many a foe is a friend in disguise,
Many a sorrow a blessing most true.
Helping the heart to be happy and wise
With love ever precious and joys ever new.
Stand in the van,
Strive like a man!
This is the bravest and cleverest plan,
Trusting in God, while you do what you can.
Cheerily, cheerily then! cheer up!